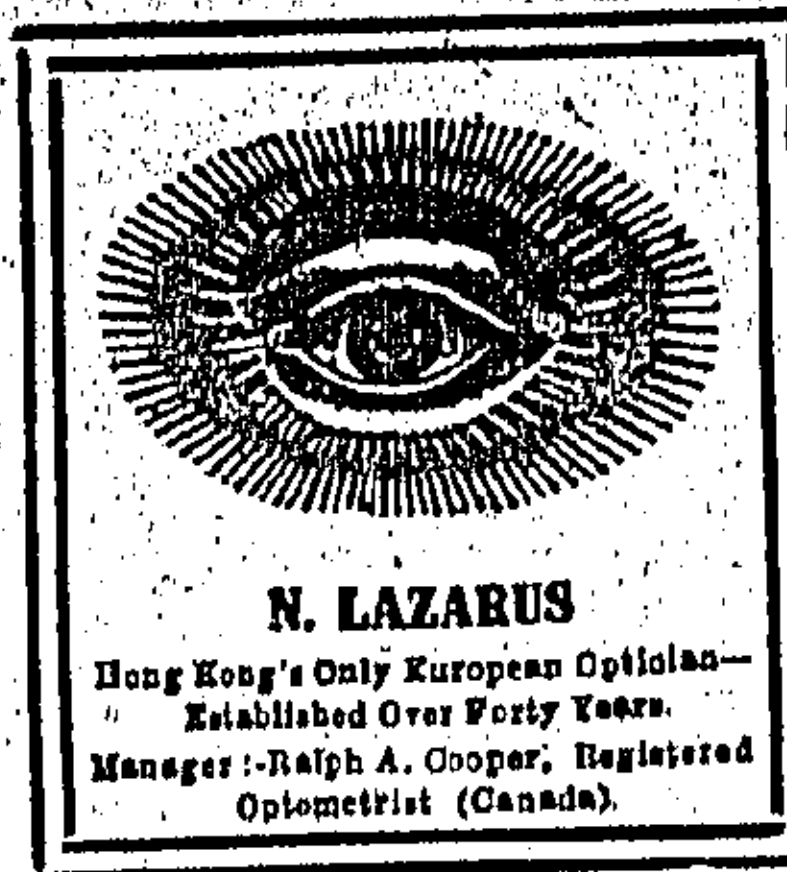




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BRITISH POLICY.

OPPOSED BY EUGENE CHEN.

NOTE TO UNITED STATES.

London, Jan. 3.

Reuter learns that the tenor of the Note which Mr. Eugene Chen has sent to the American Government denouncing the British Memorandum, has not surprised authoritative circles in London, where it is pointed out that the policy outlined in the Memorandum can and should be applied to China as a whole, irrespective of the warring factions.

The unconditional granting of the Washington surtaxes is regarded as a necessary step towards the liquidation of the promises made at Washington, and if this step will momentarily give a greater financial benefit to the North than to the South, this in itself constitutes a commentary on the Cantonese claim to be regarded as the Government of China.

NOT INTERVENTION.

The British Memorandum urges that it is for the competent Chinese authorities to decide all questions relating to the disposition and banking of the additional revenue, and that this cannot be regarded as intervention on either side. As regards the statement that the granting of the surtaxes and the disposal thereof locally, will tend to make Shanghai a war theatre, it is pointed out that inevitably and regretfully in the course of civil war in China, centres of trade like Shanghai are always the goal of the contending factions, and that the British proposals do not create any new situation in that respect.

ANOTHER POINT.

It is further stated that British policy in this connection is not influenced by considerations of what party is in control at Shanghai, nor would it be deflected by such a transfer of that authority as Mr. Chen suggests is likely to take place. Finally, it is argued that the surtaxes in effect are already being levied by the Cantonese authorities at the ports they control, and therefore Mr. Chen's Note implies that these taxes should have been paid to Canton alone and not to their opponents. —Reuter.

A HANKOW REPORT.

It is understood that the British Memorandum has created a bad impression in Nationalist Government circles here, says a Hankow message of December 29th. The opinion is expressed that the granting of the Washington surtaxes to local authorities is equivalent to giving the political enemies of the Nationalists two-thirds of the Washington surtax, while the Nationalists receive one-third.

The Nationalists also assert that the step would have a repercussion in promoting civil war, as it would place the treaty ports at a premium, for whereas Peking in the past has been the golden prize of militarists (it being the point of disbursement of the Customs revenues) the suggested payment of surtaxes to local authorities would add innumerable bones of contention.

It is stated that the Nationalist Government intend to send a strong Note to the British Government in this connection and to oppose the adoption of the measures suggested. They hope for the early return of Mr. Miles Lampson to Hankow and the resumption of the conversations between him and Mr. Eugene Chen towards a definite conclusion.

Nationalist circles explain that the present anti-Imperialist movement has a two-fold object. Firstly, they say, the existence of the Diplomatic Body in Peking and extraterritoriality tend to impose a super-Government on China, in that they involve dictation to China by outsiders: the Nationalists aim at elimination of this and will only negotiate separately with the Powers. Secondly, the movement teaches the Chinese the spirit of independence, without which no Government can succeed.

ANOTHER PIRACY REPORTED.

STEAMER FROM SWATOW LOOTED.

PIRATES AS SOLDIERS.

A case of piracy on the S.S. Hang An of the Yuan An Shipping Company, plying between Shanghai, Swatow and Canton, on the afternoon of December 22nd, while the ship was sailing near Sangchow is reported from Canton.

The vessel was fully loaded with cargo, and had 46 passengers on board, among whom were fourteen men who had only paid half fare on the pretence of being in military service.

When the ship was near Sangchow, at about 6 p.m. on the day of her departure from Swatow, the robbers on board rose, at a signal, and began to loot the vessel, transferring their booty to a junk which sailed near the ship from the shore. A loss of over \$10,000 is reported.

On the arrival of the ship at Canton, on December 26th, the matter was reported to the 12th Police Station of the Bureau of Public Safety, and the Military Headquarters, the Provincial Government, the Naval Department, as well as to the Headquarters of the Preparatory Commission. Steps for the arrest of the robbers, and the recovery of the cargo were requested.

WATCHMAN'S FORTUNE.

WELL-KNOWN INDIAN'S WILL.

A fatal motor car accident which occurred on the Shekko Road on July 10th is recalled by the will of Oyang Singh, late of Mody's Godown, West Point, a watchman and registered money-lender, who has left \$45,000. Letters of administration have been granted to his nephew, Naranjan Singh.

It will be remembered that the late Oyang Singh was contemplating the purchase of a car, and went out for a trial run together with seven others, including the driver. The car struck an embankment on the Shekko Road, which caused it to skid into the road and turn over. Two of the occupants died as a result, Oyang Singh being one of them. Others were injured.

INDIA'S CURRENCY.

OPINIONS OF EXPERT ECONOMISTS.

Calcutta, Jan. 3.

Mr. Tannan, the Principal of the Bombay Syndicate College of Commerce, presiding at the tenth session of the Conference of Indian Economists, supported as a whole the Currency Commission's proposals, and asserted that a higher exchange ratio would hardly affect the small producer or the agricultural labourer, while a lower ratio, on the contrary, might necessitate retrenchment and additional taxation.

Mr. Tannan, while supporting the gold bullion standard, urged the introduction of a gold currency within from five years to seven years and emphasised the need for a proper banking system and an Indian Institute of Bankers.

Sir Rajendranath Mookerjee of the Imperial Bank of India, in welcoming the delegates, warned the advocates of the sixteen-pence rate that their policy was raising the price level all round and was a deliberate sacrifice of the interests of the poor. He deplored the proposal regarding the gold bullion standard, and said that the establishment of a Reserve Bank had not received the attention it deserved. —Reuter.

A continuation of moderate north-easterly winds and fine weather is predicted by to-day's report of the Royal Observatory.

HANGCHOW PANIC.

SUN'S TROOPS QUELL CONSPIRACY.

GOVERNOR'S STAFF FLEES.

Yesterday, (says a North China Daily News correspondent, writing under date of December 23rd) Hangchow once more came under the lash of feverish excitement. Like a thunderclap, the sound of war reverberated throughout the whole area. The news reached the city with lightning rapidity and, simultaneously, Sun Chuan-fang's troops poured into the town from every conceivable direction. Pedestrians were stopped and searched and the whole of the police force was disbanded. The Governor's yamen was surrounded and his bodyguard relieved of their equipment.

It is said this came as a great shock to the Governor, and his staff took fright and fled. The railway station came under military control and last night no one was allowed within the precincts of the station square. The populace scarcely knew what was to happen next. Many feared a general looting. During the night, there were practically no police on duty, and at 10 p.m. streets were deserted and Hangchow was like the city of the dead.

SUN'S GRIP.

For the past week or so, the gossip of the tea shops has centred round the three great demands of Sun Chuan-fang in view of the desire to keep Hangchow independent. The first was a money payment of \$2,000,000. The second—a monthly remittance of \$500,000, and the third—the removal of the Southern Army from the province. The good services of Falang Pahi, a former governor of Chekiang in the early days of the Republic, had already been secured and negotiations were progressing between the opposing camps. It would appear, however, that Sun Chuan-fang has lost confidence in many of the leaders and his recent subordinates, and also realizes that the province at heart is "Red," hence this coup, and the determination not to allow Chekiang to slip away without a struggle.

General Chiu and his men, in the Chuchow district, have openly joined up with the Southern forces, and this fact precipitated the great excitement of yesterday.

FIGHTING BREAKS OUT.

Writing under date of December 26th, the same correspondent stated:—Hangchow, put on her gala dress to-day. Banners and streamers are in evidence at every turn. At the railway station approach, a triumphal arch, set out in many colours, adds emphasis to the important public reception to General Mang who is expected this afternoon or to-morrow.

Notwithstanding this outward show of festival, shortly after daylight, a bad piece of news floated through the air and set the whole city on the keen edge of frenzy once again. "Fighting has broken out at Nansinyiao and across the river," was the rumour. Very few shops had the courage to open in the forenoon. Rishe men did a roaring business conveying frightened people with their bedding from place to place.

It was not till late in the day that some reliable news was obtained as to what was happening. It appears that a detachment of Sun Chuan-fang's troops have been operating in the Shaohsingfu area, for the purpose of disarming the Chekiang army. It will be remembered the Chekiang men vacated Hangchow nearly three weeks ago and it is known the majority are in favour of the "Reds." On leaving Hangchow, it was said, their destination was Ningpo, but many have taken up their quarters in the towns en route.

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ALEX. ROSS & CO. ROBBED.

THIEVES STEAL WHITE SERGE.

Some time between 3 a.m. on Sunday and 12 a.m. yesterday, thieves entered offices occupied by Messrs. Alex. Ross and Company, at No. 4, Queen's Road Central, and removed three bales of white serge.

A report has been made to the police in which it is stated that the value of the goods stolen is \$1,050.

HANKOW CLASH.

MOB INCIDENTS ON BUND.

BRITISH SAILOR SERIOUSLY WOUNDED.

"SPECIALS" INJURED.

Hankow, Jan. 3.

Meetings at various points around the British Consulate, arranged by the Anti-British Association, developed seriously after mid-day, when it became necessary to call up Marines who with an armoured truck cleared the rabble from near the Customs House without firing.

At two o'clock the crowds again gathered at the Customs House and on the British Bund and made a simultaneous rush, in repelling which a sailor fell. His rifle was immediately seized and he was bayoneted through the leg.

Two other serious casualties were caused by bamboo carrying poles and two Special Constables were slightly injured.

The position remained serious until eight o'clock this evening, when the mob retired.

A lantern procession, organised by the Kuomintang and the Anti-British Association, which it was feared would provoke further trouble, passed off quietly. —Reuter.

SUMATRA REVOLT.

A SERIOUS OUTBREAK.

Padang, Jan. 3.

The entire Sileon Kakang district is in revolt. Insurgents attacked Sileonkang Station and murdered a native chief. Elsewhere they have damaged the railway and telegraphs. Four natives were killed.

JAPAN'S NEW EMPEROR.

Ill In Bed With Fever.

Tokyo, Jan. 4.

The new Emperor is confined to his bed, ill with fever and loss of appetite.

His Majesty's indisposition is apparently due to fatigue and is believed not to be serious. —Reuter.

tives murdered a Roads Inspector named Lours, and a Dutch Lieutenant was killed and two soldiers wounded when a military lorry attacked. Thirty insurgents have hitherto been killed. There have been numerous arrests. —Reuter.

The death of a Chinese deck passenger is reported by the master of the S.S. Arafura, which arrived yesterday from Singapore.

SOVIET GRIP.

RUSSIANS CONTROL SOUTHERNERS.

GENERAL CALENS DOMINANT.

Writing from Kulkang, a correspondent who states that he is in sympathy with the ideals of the Southern party and the three principles of Dr. Sun Yat-sen, says, in the course of a lengthy letter to the N. C. Daily News that the behaviour of the Chinese Revolutionary Government and their entourage while in Kulkang has been disappointing.

The respect shown for Chang Kai-shek and other members of the Revolutionary Government, including Mrs. Sun Yat-sen, was not conspicuous among the members of their retinue, says this correspondent.

DOMINATING FIGURE.

There was only one man for whom they all showed real respect. For him alone did they all rise when he entered the room. On his appearance the nondescript vanished; the chairs in which they had lounged were left empty. He alone had a bodyguard who could pretend to vie in smartness in any way with the sort of troops we are used to in the West. That man was General Calens.

The troops on the whole appear to be much the same material as the other coolie troops of China. There is a larger proportion of small boys, aged 16 to 20. There is also a thin sprinkling of Whampoa Cadets, who do not operate as a body, but are scattered singly as officers throughout the armies. These cadets are smarter than the average.

TACTICS IN THE FIELD.

For arms we have the usual motley collection of rifles, but also many troops armed with automatic pistols only. Tactics in the field are simple, and almost always follow the same lines. They do not make frontal attacks on positions. On the only two occasions when they have done this, at the walls of Wuchang and Nanchang, they suffered heavy casualties. All the fighting so far has been hill fighting. They use their knowledge of the country and the friendly nature of the inhabitants to bring small bodies of special shock-troops in the rear of the enemy position. They then make a noise both in front and behind the enemy, who proceeds to run away. Poor fellow, he is not used to noises on both sides, but he fails to realize that his casualties in running away are much heavier than if he stayed in his trenches. The shock-troops are of a better class than the ordinary troops and are armed with Mauser pistols and hand-grenades.

The combination of armed invasion from without with civil war within cannot be better exemplified than by what is now going on in Chekiang. Moreover, those brilliant "Oriental Fighters" Messrs. Borodin and Galens both speak Chinese, the latter fluently. It only remains to add that they also both speak English.

RUSSIA'S ULTIMOR MOTIVE.

There are two questions which rise to the mind:—

(1) What is the object of these Russians in China?

We know it is not trade, Russia, moreover, has not so much money to spare that she can afford to throw it about so lavishly in China out of sheer kindness. Surely it cannot be that Russia intends to conquer China. That is incredible. There must be some ulterior motive and we may well ask ourselves what lies beyond China? A glance at the map will show us that beyond China lie Japan, The Philippines, Tongking and India.

(2) What is the extraordinary influence that these Russians hold over the Cantonese, that they can make them run about like little boys?

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FIGHTING IN REGION OF HANGCHOW.

SOUTHERN ATTACKS ON FUYENG.

NO SUCCESS YET.

Chinese telegrams to hand to-day state that many unsuccessful attempts have been made by the Kuomintang troops to capture Fuyeng, which is situated about forty miles south of Hangchow.

It is further reported that General Chow Yam-yen, former Tungan of Fukien, has arrived with his troops at Yungkang, about 300 miles south of Hangchow, and that he intends to launch an attack on the Kuomintang Army at that point.

It appears that the Southerners hope, by their present operations, to secure the fall of Hangchow, as some of their forces have already captured Chuk Char Chuen, in the immediate vicinity of Fuyeng. General Mang Chao-yue, a loyal subordinate of Marshal Sun Chuan-fang, has, however, some 4,000 troops at Fuyeng, whilst it is reported that General Chang Chung-chang is shortly to despatch some 3,000 White Russians to Chekiang. There are also indications that a struggle will shortly take place for possession of Ningpo.

MODEST AMERICA.

AUSTRALIAN PREMIER'S TRIBUTE.

Philadelphia, Jan. 3.

A striking tribute to the United States was paid by the Australian Prime Minister, Mr. S. M. Bruce, at a luncheon.

He said that nothing was further from the truth than unfounded people-rant, that the United States was too brazen about itself. On the contrary, the United States, on which Australia endeavoured to pattern herself in many ways, did not talk enough about herself; indeed is indecently modest. "You are leading the world but you do not let the world know it. No country is more misunderstood or vilified, and America needs to give the world a campaign of education." —Reuter's American Service.

AIR MAIL TO BASRA.

AN IMPORTANT EXTENSION.

Rugby, Jan. 3.

The Postmaster General announces that the fortnightly air mail service between Cairo and Baghdad is to be extended to Basra, and that a further extension to Karachi will be made later.

The air mail from London, of Thursday January 6th, and fortnightly thereafter will be due to reach Baghdad late in the afternoon of the following Thursday, and Basra on the Friday morning—seven and a half days from London. At Basra it will be due to connect with the fast Saturday mail steamer, due at Karachi on the second, Thursday—fourteen days from London—and also with the slow service for various Persian Gulf ports, leaving Basra on alternate Sundays.

Thus the air mail will offer, in comparison with transmission by the desert motor route or by the sea route via Bombay, a saving in time of transit of about two and seventeen days respectively to Basra, approximately seven days to Bushire and other Persian Gulf ports, and about two days to Karachi and North-west India. —British Wireless.

The master of a Hiofung trading junk was fined \$10 by Lieut. Commr. G. F. Hole this morning when he headed guilty to a charge of carrying twelve passengers in excess of the number allowed by his licence.

FALL OF ICHANG.

POPULAR WELCOME TO THE SOUTHERNERS.

YANG SEN'S HURRIED FLIGHT.

Writing under date of December 12th, the Ichang correspondent of the N. C. Daily News states:—This day has been one of great excitement in Ichang. During the night defeated troops began to arrive from Shai and other places by steamer and by road. Business has been at a standstill as most of the shops were closed. Few able-bodied men of the labouring class ventured on the streets for fear of being commandeered to carry for the departing troops.

Soon it became evident that large bodies of troops were leaving the city in a hurry. Some were going down river to try and stem the approach of the enemy, others were sent on their way to Shaihan, while others went for the Hsinan region. Many of the northern troops also left seemingly following General Lu Chin-san, who is said to have gone to Kueifu.

CHAMBER PAYS \$300,000.

General Yang Sen has been paid \$300,000 by the Chamber of Commerce, but only about half in cash and the rest in opium. Many wounded have come into the Hospitals. The approaching army is mostly made up of Szechuan, and Kweichow soldiers, these latter belonging to Yang Sen's old enemy Yuan Tao-ming.

Shai went over to the South several days ago, and the 7th Division from there is retreating on Ichang. Over 1,000 of them boarded the N.K.K. Yang Sen at Shai and came up here and on the way were badly fired on at several places. The troops here are largely without responsible leaders, and at any moment they may get out of hand. To-day there has been much firing off of their rifles especially along the Bund but happily mostly into the air.

NORTHERNERS TAKEN OVER.

The first of the Southerners arrived yesterday, and were welcomed at the river by many of the merchants and gentry of the city amidst great excitement. The news of their approach spread like wild-fire and soon the streets were full of men who had been in hiding for the last few days. During yesterday, most of Yang Sen's troops got on board various steamers and left for up river or by land also for the west making for Shihnan and Kueifu.

GOOD RIDDANCE.

The people who three weeks ago welcomed Yang Sen with such friendliness as the saviour of the situation, were equally glad to see him leave, taking with him his horde of unruly so-called soldiers. The Northern soldiers who remained were formed into a protection brigade and the last two nights have been quiet.

To-day I hear that all the Northern troops here have been taken over by the Southern army and things are beginning to settle down; shops are re-opening and soon things will be normal. What the future has in store under the rule of the South remains to be seen.

MORE VICTORIES.

Military Headquarters in Canton have received a telegram from Gen. Huang Tienpai, Commander of the 10th Army, in Ichang, stating:—

"After my arrival at Ichang on the 17th Dec., I ordered my troops of the 28th and 29th Divisions to set out towards Taiwei and Padang, in pursuit of the defeated enemies. The enemy troops under Chang Fu-san, as well as those under Ho Chan-ao and Ngai Kai gave stubborn resistance but were at last defeated. They fled in the direction of Wanhsien. The cities of Taiwei and Padang were taken on December 21st and 22nd. In the battle, large numbers of the enemy were killed, and about a regiment of them were disarmed. Those which fled are being pursued and attacked by our troops."



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CONTEMPT OF COURT.

MILITARY OFFICER FINED.

"If my ricksha coolie had gone to the left instead of turning to the right, I consider that I should not have been here to-day to give evidence," remarked Lieut. Col. R.R. Lewis during the course of his evidence at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday afternoon, when Lieut. G. H. Sloane Stanley, of the Royal Artillery, was charged before Mr. T. W. Ainsworth with driving his motor car to the danger of the public in Salisbury Road on the night of December 4.

It will be recalled that the case was adjourned from December 10, when it was first mentioned before the Magistrate, as both parties had not appeared in Court. After his Worship had read the charge to the defendant, he said that before proceeding with the case, he had to request the defendant to give an explanation of his absence on December 20.

Lieut. Stanley replied that on the morning of the day on which the case was fixed he had heard that the charge had been withdrawn against him. He therefore went to the Water Police Station and enquired whether the Police had heard about it. He was told that if the case had been withdrawn he did not need to attend the Court.

Explanation Not Accepted.

His Worship pointed out that the summons was issued by the Magistrate and any explanations should have been made to the Magistrate himself and not to a sergeant at the Water Police Station.

"I regret," continued his Worship, "I cannot accept your explanation."

The defendant pleaded not guilty to the charge.

Lieut. Col. Lewis, R. A. M. C., said that at about 7.30 p.m. on December 4, he was returning to the Star Ferry in a ricksha together with his wife and two friends. Witness' ricksha was turning into Salisbury Road, from Nathan Road, and when across three quarters of the way across the former thoroughfare he heard "rapid and insistent" blowing of a motor car horn behind him.

On turning round he saw the headlights of a car advancing at a high speed. Witness put his arm out and shouted to the ricksha coolie. There was a screeching noise caused by the application of the brakes and the sound of tyres skidding on the road.

The coolie turned to the right and the car passed by. It was out of sight in a few seconds. Turning to Mr. Towns, who was in another ricksha, witness asked if the former had noticed the number of the car. Mr. Towns replied that it was No. 1,008.

A Narrow Escape.

Col. Lewis said that he himself had seen the number, but asked Mr. Towns in order to confirm his own impression. On arriving at the Ferry, witness searched for the car but saw no signs of it.

Witness estimated the speed of the car at between 40 and 50 miles per hour.

In conclusion witness remarked that he would not have been there to give evidence if his ricksha had not swerved to the right.

Cross-examined by the defendant, witness said that the motor car was about 60 yards away when he first saw it.

Mr. H. E. Standage said that he was in the fourth of five rickshas which were turning into Salisbury Road. The leading vehicle was on the opposite side of the Road to witness'. About 30 yards to his left, coming from the direction of Hoits Wharf, witness saw a motor car proceeding at a speed of from 30 to 40 miles an hour.

It nearly collided with the leading ricksha, but managed to

pull up amid the screeching of brakes. The ricksha swerved to the centre of the road while the car proceeded on its way.

Answering the defendant witness said that it was his opinion that if the ricksha had not swerved there would have been a crash.

Witness Absent.

Sub Inspector Nicol, at this stage announced that Mr. G. E. Towns, the chief accountant of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, was absent from Court.

His Worship: Has he sent any explanation?

Inspector Nicol: No, Your Worship.

He was subpoenaed wasn't he?

Yes.

Mrs. Lewis was then called. Her evidence was corroborative of the other witnesses. She said that she heard a horn sounded several times and saw her husband's ricksha wobble and swerve to the right. She heard a suppressed yell but could not say who uttered it.

When asked if he had any witnesses to call, the defendant said that he would first like to say a few words.

His Worship suggested that the defendant should make a statement in the witness box and warned him that anything he said might be used as evidence against him.

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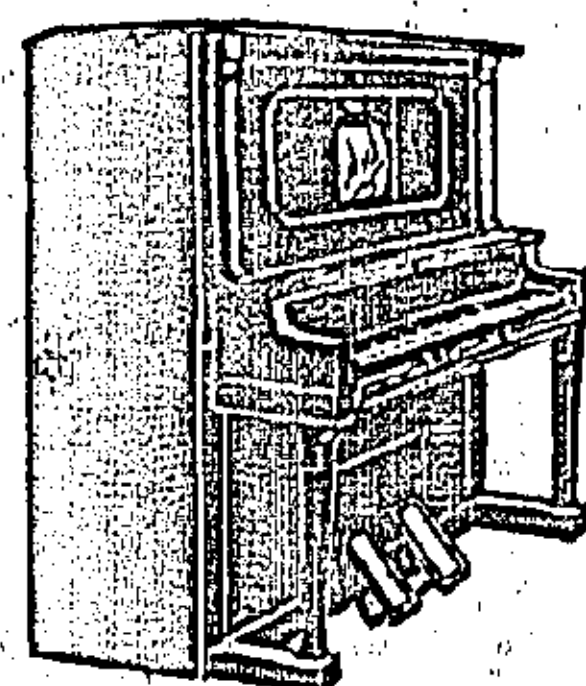
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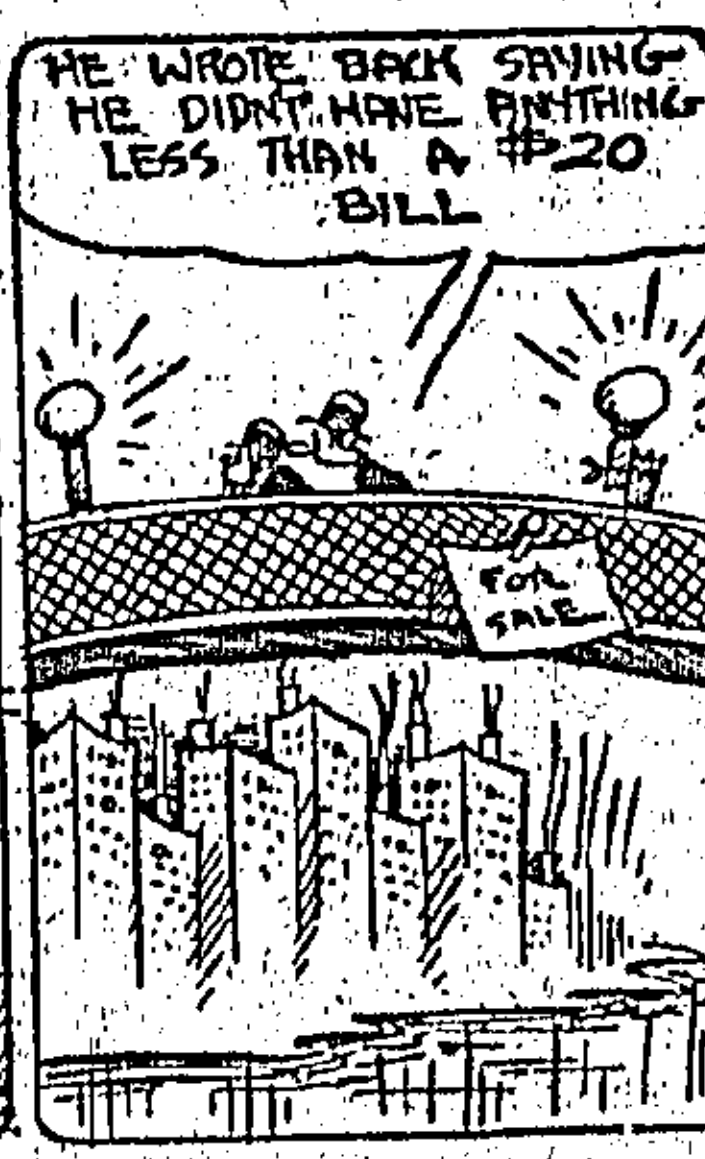
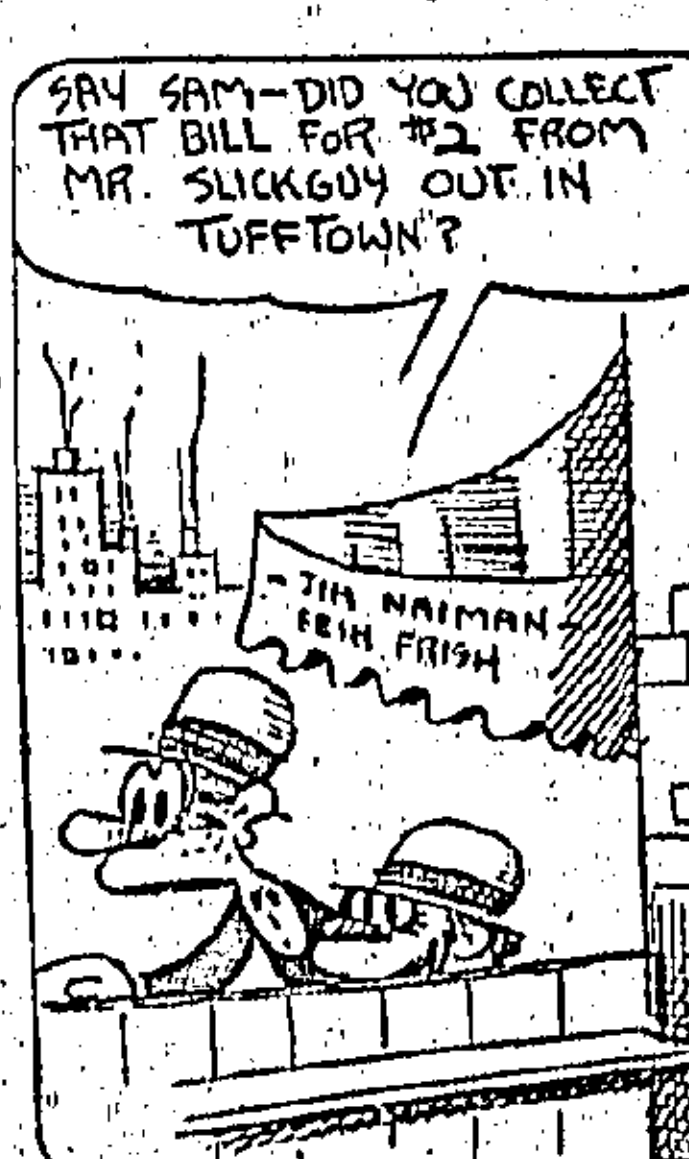
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RUMOUR DENIED.—Here are Mr. and Mrs. William K. Vanderbilt. Mrs. Vanderbilt recently denied a report from Rome that she had asked the Vatican to annul her marriage.



KING FERDINAND.—Effects of King Ferdinand's serious illness plainly are shown on his face in this photo, his most recent. With him is the Duke of Spoleto, visitor to Bucharest from Italy.

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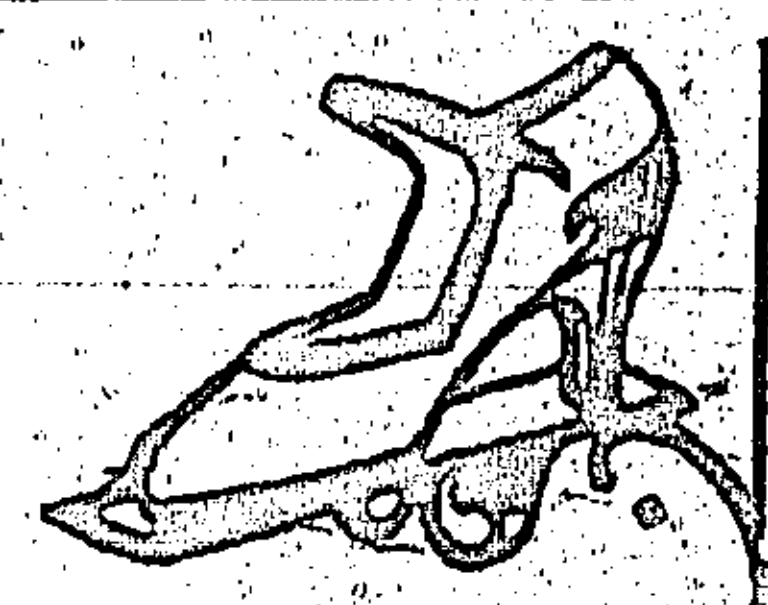
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UNIQUE GATHERING OF FOUR KINGS.—The marriage of Princess Astrid to the Crown Prince of Belgium was the occasion which brought together four crowned heads of Europe. Left to right: King Christian X of Denmark, King Gustav V of Sweden, King Albert of Belgium and King Haakon VII of Norway. King Christian and King Haakon are brothers. It is interesting to note that there were thirty-three royal personages present at the wedding.



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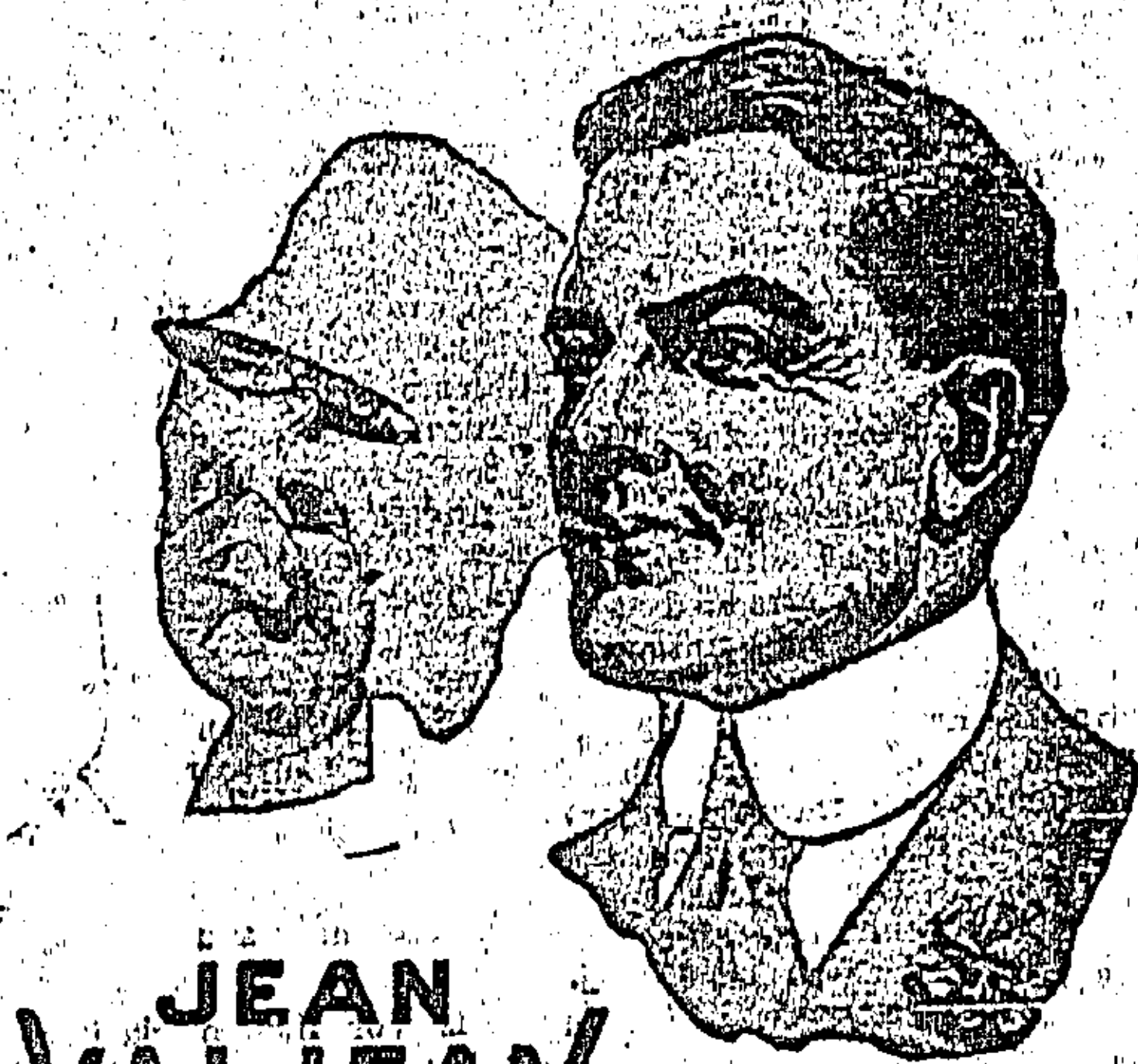
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FRANCE'S GENERAL POLICY.

M. BRIAND'S NEW YEAR REVIEWS.

Paris, Jan. 3.
The most notable international achievement of 1926, according to M. Briand, writing in the *Matin*, was the construction of a peace framework which might take time to shake, but constituted an instrument of appreciable solidity against the risk of war. M. Briand reviewed the numerous recent international agreements, including the Italo-German treaty, drafted in "unexceptionable terms."

He was a sincere friend of Italy and always ready for a rapprochement with her.

France adhered to the spirit of the Washington agreements, and entertained a legitimate desire not to allow her honourable interests to be assailed, but would refrain from interference in Chinese internal politics, and do nothing against the unity of the country. Thereby she was convinced she would find herself in agreement with the Washington signatories. — *Reuter*.

CENTRAL AMERICA.

MEXICAN EXPEDITION FEARED.

Managua, Jan. 3.
President Diaz, in the course of a statement addressed to the American and foreign public, declared that the future of Nicaragua and ultimately all Central America was at stake in the present conflict between his government and Mexico. The President alleged that an expedition bringing arms and ammunition and aeroplanes with Mexican military personnel, outfitting by the Calles Government, was hourly expected to seek a landing on the coast of Nicaragua. He added that the landing of American marines was for the protection of American and foreign lives and property but that it had in nowise favoured his Government. — *Reuter*.

BRITAIN AND CANTON.

RAMSAY MACDONALD'S OPINION.

London, Jan. 3.
Mr. Ramsay Macdonald, in an article in the *Socialist Review*, says the Canton Government is naturally in a truculent mood, and believes it has beaten us.

The Cantonese are unlikely to take us at our own valuation. We must put ourselves right with them, but a mere scuffle will not do that. The old conditions of China have imposed on us obligations which remain until we are relieved of them by negotiation.

"Canton must be assumed to have commonsense, and once it is assured by the genuineness of our desire to come to terms on a basis of frank recognition of China's nationality and right of self-government, it will surely not object to discuss matters." — *Reuter*.

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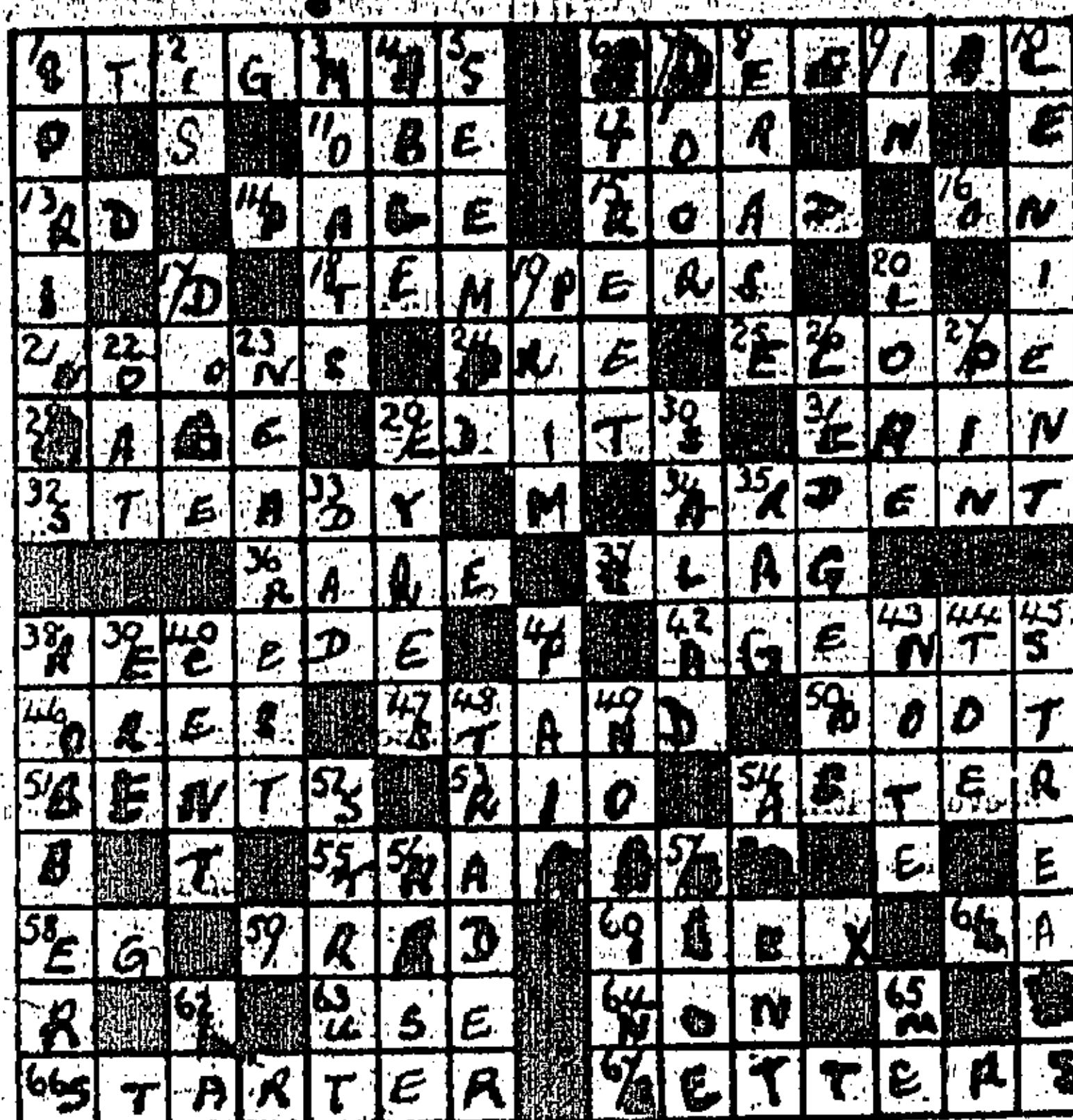
MUCH DAMAGE DONE IN PERAK.

(Our Own Correspondent.)

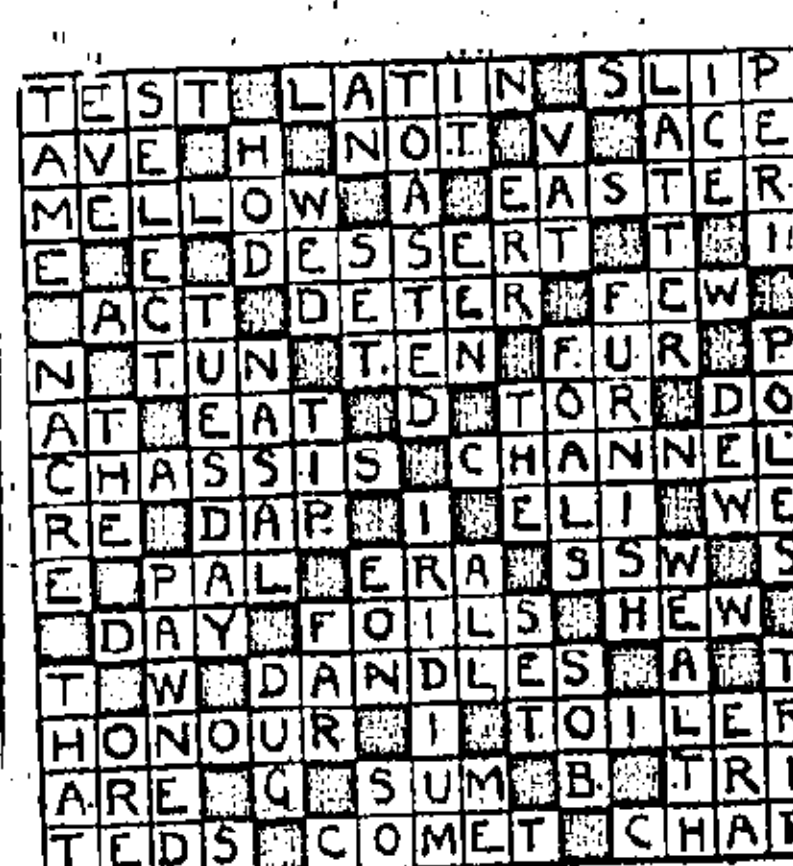
Singapore, Jan. 3.
Information now coming in from isolated districts in Perak shows that the floods are even more serious than was at first thought.

It is estimated that the damage in Kuala Kangsar district alone is a million dollars.

OUR CROSSWORD PUZZLE.



- Across.
1. Stains of infancy.
 2. Distinguished.
 3. An honour (abb.).
 4. A hill.
 5. Road (abb.).
 6. Palld.
 7. Route.
 8. Forward.
 9. Moderates.
 10. Midways.
 11. Before.
 12. To run away with a lover.
 13. A challenge.
 14. Superintends publication.
 15. Part of British Isles (Poet).
 16. Unwavering.
 17. Fequent.
 18. Scare.
 19. Vitified cinders.
 20. To move back.
 21. Deputies.
 22. Raw metals.
 23. To remain upright.
 24. Origin.
 25. The stalks of grasses.
 26. In South America.
 27. A flower.
 28. A cross bar.
 29. For example (Lat. abb.).
 30. Cobbler's nail.
 31. A mountain wild goat.
 32. Side of a stage.
 33. Utiles.
 34. Not (prefix).
 35. One who starts a race.
 36. Those who obtain.
- Down.
1. Rebounds.
 2. Exists.
 3. Broad ditches.
 4. Having ability.
 5. Looked like.
 6. A thoroughfare.
 7. Measure.
 8. To rub out.
 9. Within.
 10. Clement.
 11. Chief magistrate in Venice.
 12. Preese.
 13. Knowledge gained from reading.
 14. A croak.
 15. Closest.
 16. Account books.
 17. Peg.
 18. Circuits of a Court of Justice.
 19. A dish of cold vegetables.
 20. Father.
 21. Merchant.
 22. A tattered piece of cloth.
 23. Thieves.
 24. Sooner than.
 25. Coin.
 26. An acute ache.
 27. A short letter.
 28. A digit of the foot.
 29. Narrow strips.
 30. Merchant.
 31. Prying around.
 32. To walk with affection.
 33. A cknin.
 34. To lay level with the ground.
 35. A wood-wind instrument.
 36. A degree.
 37. Personal pronoun.



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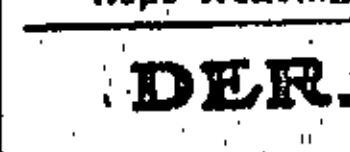
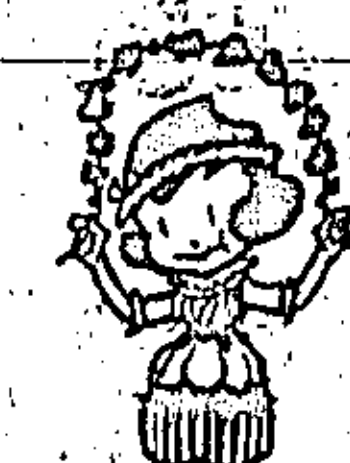
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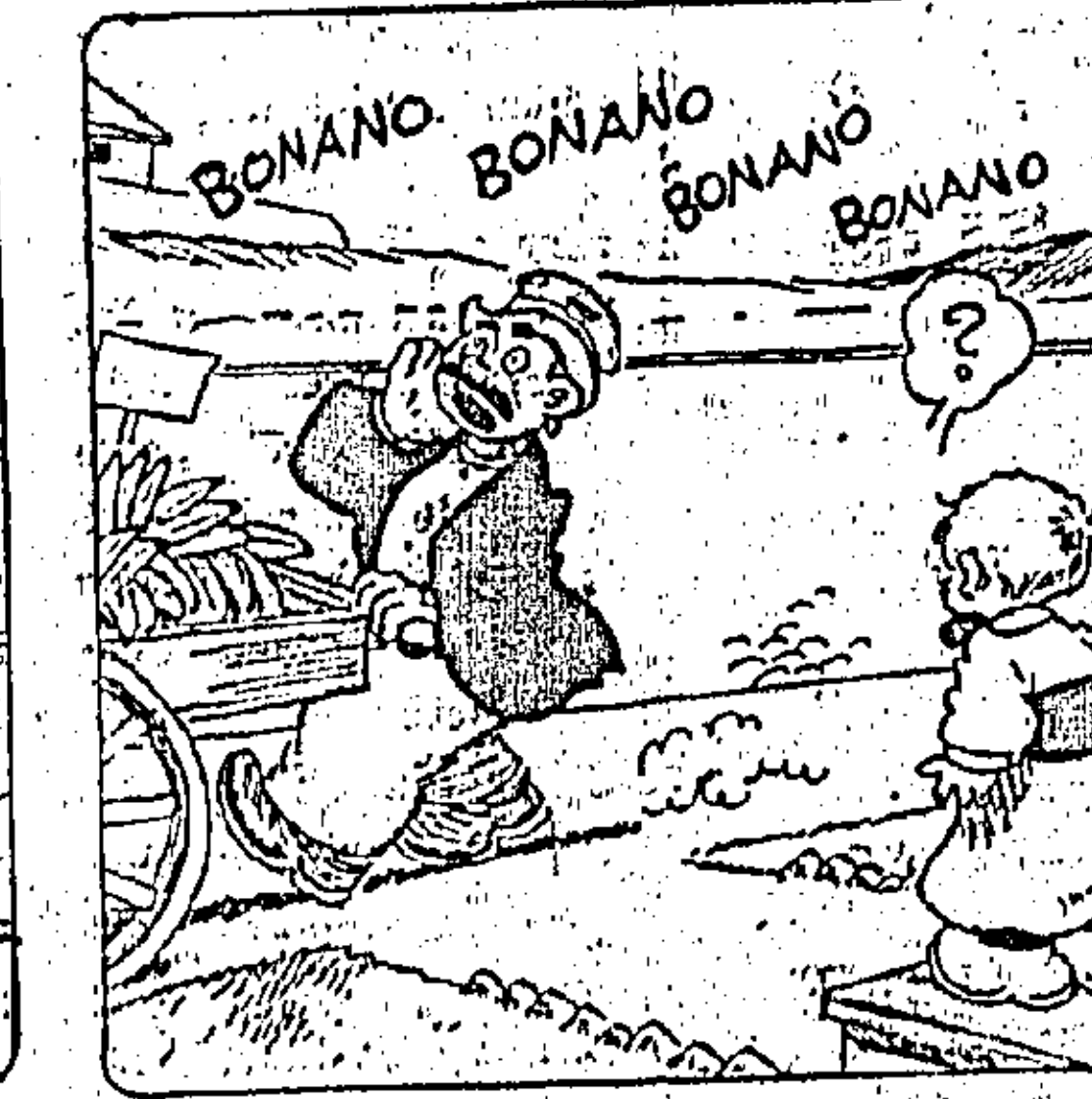
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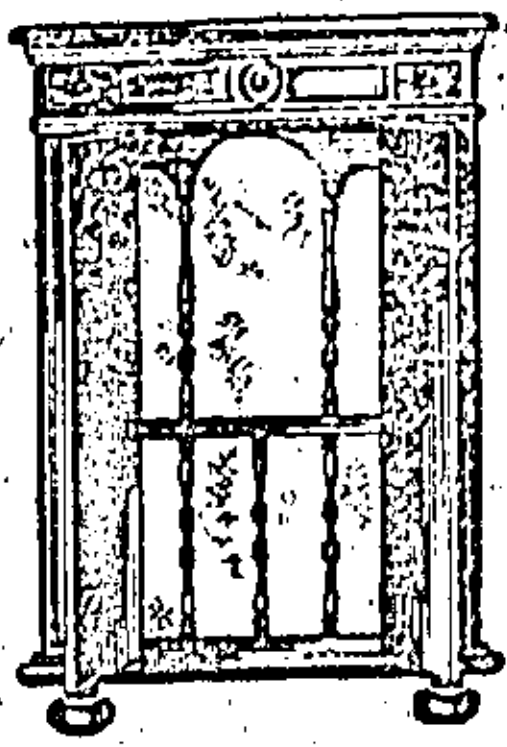
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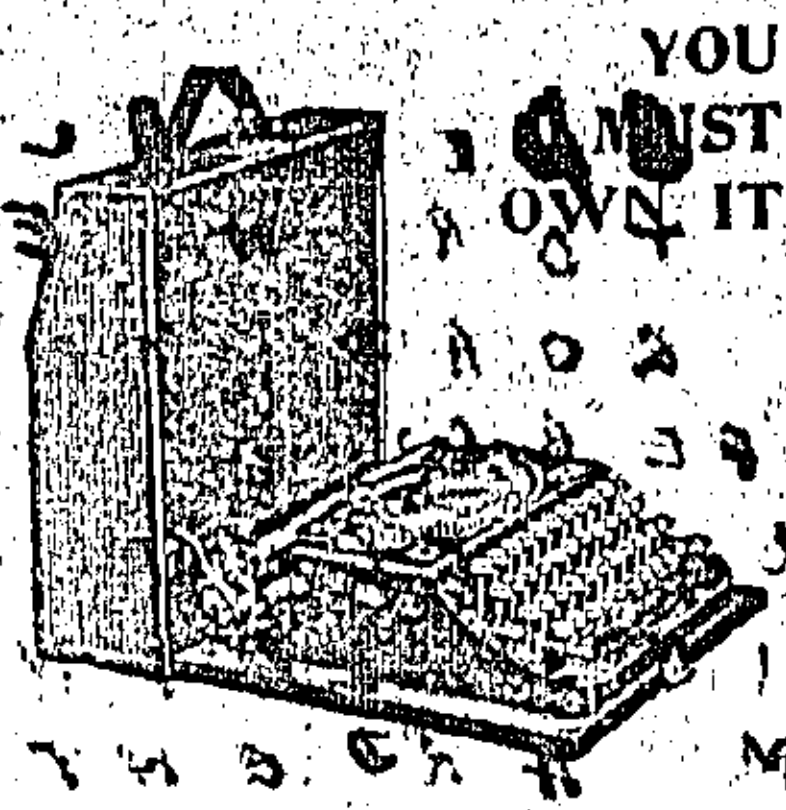
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DEATH

PETERSON.—At the French Hospital, on January 3, Moira, aged four years, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Peterson, 2, Kimberley Villas. Funeral passes the Monument at 4 p.m. to-day.

The Telegraph

TUESDAY, JANUARY 4, 1927.

ANTI-FOREIGN MENACE.

It is a very great pity, that anti-foreign and anti-Christian outbreaks are marring the cause of Nationalism in China. Although we have found cause to disagree strongly with the manner in which the Nationalists are seeking to bring about a much-needed change in the governmental system of China we have always been strongly of the opinion that there is a wonderful field of endeavour open to honest and moderate Nationalist politicians, and we view it as a serious misfortune that uncontrolled mob elements up in the region of Hankow are committing outrages against foreign missionaries and their churches. Because, unless those bad elements are controlled, they will inevitably grow and precipitate a clash of armed forces. The leaders of the Nationalist party stand in danger of setting alight a disastrous outbreak if, in their zealous condemnation of foreigners and treaties and controlled Customs, they fail to put a curb on mob violence. It was the absence of such a curb that led up to the Boxer troubles of 1901, and surely no-one wishes for a repetition of that costly folly. The reports from Hankow and Kiukiang during the past two or three days have not been reassuring; in fact they have been distinctly alarming. Men like Mr. Eugene Chen and his immediate associates ought to know the grave dangers that lie behind incidents in which foreign churches and houses are burned and in which foreign lives are placed in jeopardy. Any one of them might very easily develop into an ugly business calling for the strongest possible repressive action. If the Nationalists are governing the territories they lay claim to, then it behooves them to make very certain that stern punishment is made the deterrent of mob violence. Unfortunately, past action is not very convincing on that point. The last-to-be-desired development is that Britain or any other foreign Power should, by force of intolerable circumstances, have to intervene for the purpose of protecting the lives of their un-

happy nationals, but, in this connection, it is not provocative to insist that the force of protection should be adequate. Although the thought of foreign conflict with Chinese soldiers is repellent, it behooves all foreign Powers to take serious note of the undesirable trend of events on the Yangtze, and to ensure that, if there is ever just reason to intervene, foreign naval and military commanders have adequate forces at their disposal. We touch upon this extreme side of the situation because it is axiomatic that small armed force of outsiders is but an irritation whereas a strong display of force counsels prudence on the Chinese side and results in prevention. When France, Japan, the United States and Britain keep naval forces on the Yangtze for the purpose of affording protection to lives and trade they owe it to those nationals in whose interests they are acting to be quite certain that the measure of protection is such as shall command respect and result in real protection. We have heard so much of late in the House of Commons regarding the adequacy of the British forces in China that one almost wonders of the repetition of that assurance and is in danger of overlooking the great preventive influence of adequacy. It is of very vital importance to us and others out here that there should be no doubts in the minds of unruly and extremist Chinese elements that foreign power is strong enough to inflict punishment when serious wrongs are committed. While it is most sincerely to be hoped that there never will be cause to intervene, it should never be forgotten that a display of strength will do much to make intervention unnecessary as well as to ensure its success if necessary.

Britain and America.

The fact that Mr. William Randolph Hearst, whose chain of newspapers has hitherto been none too friendly towards Britain, should now come out boldly in favour of an understanding between the English-speaking peoples of the world, aiming at the preservation of peace, is a happy sign of the times. We have always maintained that Britain and the United States could, if they acted in concert, practically assure world peace—and by Britain, of course, we mean the great self-governing Dominions as well as the British Isles. Mr. Hearst is careful to explain that he does not imply any entangling alliances, realising, no doubt, that it has always been America's policy to keep free of such commitments. Possibly the American people are given to undue sensitiveness on this point, for, so long as the end aimed at is attained, it surely does not greatly matter how the understanding is reached. In any event, there would need to be something very definite and tangible devised if the suggested understanding were to have any real value—a point which even Mr. Hearst realises, since he talks of an armament agreement which would ensure fighting arms to be maintained at such a strength as to ensure efficiency of co-operation. So far, the plan which Mr. Hearst has in view has not been divulged in detail, but it does not require much imagination to see that with the United States, Ireland, Canada, Australia, New Zealand and South Africa working in friendly co-operation, a great step forward could be taken in the preservation of world peace. The League of Nations, of course, is based on that idea, but unhappily the United States does not see its way as yet to active membership of that body. However, Mr. Hearst strikes the right note in his new attitude towards Britain, and in this Colony, who know from actual contact how happily Americans and Britishers can co-operate, shall watch further developments in this movement with the utmost interest.

For mooring outside five others alongside the s.s. Dorry, the master of a cargo boat, was fined \$5 to-day at the Marine Court.

DAY BY DAY.

KNOWLEDGE IS THE TREASURE, BUT JUDGMENT THE TREASURER OF A WISE MAN.—W. Penn.

Bishop and Mrs. Duppy left for Manila by the s.s. President Grant.

During the past two days, two Chinese cases of typhoid fever have been reported.

The P. and O. liner Duvanna, which left Singapore on December 31st at noon, is due here on the 6th instant at 6 a.m.

Having left Singapore at 9 a.m. on the 2nd instant, the P. and O. liner Morea is due here at 2 p.m. on the 6th instant.

Mrs. Potwar, of 3, Jordan Road, Kowloon, has reported to the police the theft from her residence, about 8 o'clock yesterday morning, of an elderdown quilt valued at \$40.

The Hon. Sir Joseph Kemp, Attorney General, was the recipient of many good wishes and hearty handshakes in the Supreme Court this morning, on his having been made a Knight Bachelor.

A brick dropped from the fourth floor of the new Peninsula Hotel building on an earth cook's back whilst he was at work in the ground floor premises, yesterday. Injured rather seriously, he was removed to the Kowloon Hospital.

A number of Belgian subjects are stated to have been arrested following a fight in a lodging house in Canton, and it is said that their case will be dealt with by the Chinese authorities in view of the abrogation of the Sino-Belgian Treaty.

General sympathy will be extended to Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Peterson, of Kowloon, upon the death of their only daughter, Moira, aged four, which occurred at the French Hospital yesterday. The funeral passes the monument at 4 p.m. to-day.

Mr. M. H. Turner, who has been with Messrs. Deacons, solicitors, for a number of years, has been admitted as a member of the firm. He succeeds Mr. R. F. Mattingly who died last week. Mr. Turner held an administrative post in the Police Reserve in the early days of the 1925 general strike.

A motor cycle driven by Captain Faussett, of the R.A., collided with a push-bicycle in Nathan Road, Kowloon yesterday. The man on the latter machine, a young Chinese, was thrown heavily from his seat, and received injuries which necessitated his admission into the Kowloon Hospital.

Another pawnbroker has taken criminal proceedings against a customer whom he charges with attempting to palm off a false gold wedding ring on him. When the case came up before Mr. Schofield this morning, it was stated that Mr. McCallum would be appearing for the prosecution, and the case was remanded.

While leaning out of the verandah to hang out the day's washing, and having a baby strapped on her back, a Chinese woman overbalanced and fell into the street from the first floor of No. 987, Canton Road, yesterday. Both mother and child had a miraculous escape from death, although the child was somewhat seriously injured and had to be taken to hospital.

Arrested five days after his arrival here from Canton on a charge of stealing clothing, a Chinese had it alleged against him that, in order to get rid of possibly incriminating evidence, he dumped certain pawn-tickets relating to the property in a nullah. Sentence of three weeks' hard labour was inflicted on the defendant when convicted at the Central Magistracy to-day.

The Bishop of Victoria and Mrs. Duppy will be absent from the Colony for the month of January. The Rev. H. Copley Moyle will transact urgent matters of business on behalf of the Bishop. Correspondence should be addressed to the Diocesan Chaplain, the Rev. N. V. Hulward, M.C., Bishop's House, St. Paul's College.

The Netherland Consul General in Hongkong calls the attention of the public to the next Netherland Industries Fair, which will be held in Utrecht from the 16th to the 24th of March, 1927, both dates inclusive. Prospective exhibitors are advised to communicate with the Consul General in respect of all possible details of the Fair and the way in which participation may be ensured.

CAT'S THEFT LEADS TO FIRE.

CHAIN OF UNFORTUNATE HAPPENINGS.

COOK BADLY BURNED.

How a cat's liking for dried duck led to a fire in the city this morning is disclosed in the incidents associated with the outbreak. The affair, attended as it was by a host of untoward developments, started from a cat at No. 28, Elgin Street, casting a covetous eye on a piece of dried duck (laap aap) in the vernacular left on the dining table on the ground floor. For the brief space of a minute, when the table was left unwatched as the cook went into the kitchen, pussy seized on the tit-bit, and pursued by the woman, ran under a bed.

The space under a bed in a native dwelling house generally provides storage room for a number of domestic belongings. In the present instance it provided a convenient place at which to stow away such belongings as cotton padded quilts, curtains, etc., all more or less of an inflammable nature.

It so happened that when the cat got under the bed, it wisely kept out of sight, the while holding on to the precious morsel.

Then a number of startling things happened, as the cook lighted a match and started to search for the cat under the bed. First of all, the lighted taper came into contact with a bottle of alcohol. There was an explosion and a fire broke out amongst the bedding, as a result of which the cook got severely burned.

The No. 6 fire engine, in rushing to the scene consequent on a call over the telephone, got stuck on the hill, owing to gear trouble, when within a few yards of the house.

DANGEROUS CORNER.

SEQUEL TO KENNEDY ROAD ACCIDENT.

It was alleged, at the Central Magistracy this morning, that the Chinese driver of a motor lorry came out of Kennedy Road too fast a few days ago, with the result that a private car, in avoiding a collision, ran into the wall of the Naval Hospital and was damaged. The case was one in which the lorry driver was charged before Mr. Schofield with dangerous driving. There was a further charge of failing to report the accident.

The defendant said he sounded his horn forty feet before he reached the turning and was not going fast.

His Worship remarked that he could not see what else the defendant could have done.

Sub-Inspector Alexander replied that it was necessary to "crawl" out of the road, and many people stopped before rounding the corner. If the lorry was about sixteen feet long that did not leave much room for an approaching car to pass. He added that there was no signboard or policeman, as most of the road was closed to traffic.

In imposing a fine of \$5 on the first charge, his Worship remarked that it seemed the defendant was driving quite slowly, but not slowly enough. The defendant was fined \$7 on the second charge.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Harold Dollar arrived here by the s.s. President Grant. Other passengers included Sir Shouson Chow and Capt. P. H. Rolfe.

Fortunately, the outbreak was extinguished before it had reached serious dimensions.

The Very Idea!

Roaring overhead in the night, great air liners to connect England leave and return in pants. He refused and was ejected. He came in by another door and was promptly ejected again. Whereupon Robertson wrote the promoters of the show: "I wish to point out that to call the kill a fancy dress is an insult to Scotland. If this rule is sustained Scotland may well rule the world."

It was a poet's dream then. Now the people will not even look up to see these great ships pass. The new British giants of the air, which will have a trial early this year, are complete with every hotel accommodation, berths, cabins, promenades, dance floor and dining room. It still sounds like a hazardous trip to make, and one during which the comfort of the passenger might not be quite complete. But they said the same thing about railroads.

Ah, yes, he had a sweet tooth, and He ate a piece of cake. No doubt that was the reason why He got a sweet toothache.

A spectacular hole in one, that gave other players a thorough shock, has been scored on the eighth hole of the Mingliden Golf course near Rangoon. It was negotiated by a bolt of lightning that splintered the bamboo pole marking the hole. No one was on the green at the time, but several players in the vicinity suffered from shock.

A certain man had just bought a car. He took his wife out on a few preliminary expeditions during which she did not hesitate to criticise her husband's efforts at driving.

"Halloa, old man!" said the next-door neighbour one evening. "I see you've got a little two-seater. What do you get out of her?" "About forty thousand words to the gallon," answered the other sadly.

A new British-Scottish war is looming over an incident at the Motor Show known as "The insult to the kill," says the United Press. The facts back of the verbal barge that is filling the air appear to be that one Sandy McDougall, representing Alce Robertson, a Scottish motor agent, sought to lend a bit of local colour to his exhibit by garbing Sandy in a kilts. Forthwith a committee of other agents visited Sandy and called his attention to a line in the exhibition rules reading: "No attendant shall wear

fancy dress." Sandy was asked to leave and return in pants. He refused and was ejected. He came in by another door and was promptly ejected again. Whereupon Robertson wrote the promoters of the show: "I wish to point out that to call the kill a fancy dress is an insult to Scotland. If this rule is sustained Scotland may well rule the world."

After years of arduous work a young French mechanic claims now to have perfected a bicycle that flies. It can be transformed immediately into a small monoplane which reaches a height of 150 feet. Trial flights were completed recently without a mishap.

John H. Nilicky, of Greenwich U. S. A., has a hen which doesn't know whether to cackle or quack over her new family. Half of a brood she hatched recently have the heads of ducks and the bodies of chickens.

This story of so far back as 1888 is told in the Daily Mail.—A gentleman owned a favourite dog which happened to be at his father's office when the owner was too ill to venture out. So the owner asked them to hold it up to the telephone.

The dog being held, the owner whistled; the creature knew the call and pricked up its ears, whereupon it was bidden to come home. It was then put down and the door opened for it, and away it trotted home.

Brown went to a tobacconist for some cigarettes. After paying for them, he said to the man behind the counter.

"By the way, you gave me a bad shilling in my change yesterday." "Impossible," said the proprietor. "I have never taken or given a bad shilling during all the years I have been in business."

"You certainly gave me a bad shilling," said Brown. "My dear sir, said the man, "with twenty years' experience of handling money, I can tell at once by the touch of a coin whether it is good or bad. Instinct, my man. At any rate, I suppose you managed to get rid of it easily?" "Oh, yes, said Brown. "I have just given it to you for the cigarettes!"

BRIGHTER TRADE PROSPECTS.**SPIRIT OF HOPEFULNESS AT HOME.****AN EXPECTED BOOM.**

London, Jan. 3. The New Year opens with a spirit of hopefulness, long unknown in industrial circles.

Substantial orders have been lodged with manufacturers of Lancashire, Yorkshire, the Clyde and the Midlands, following the conclusion of the coal stoppage. Signs are not wanting that His Majesty's New Year Message, appealing for goodwill, has been taken to heart by industrial peace-makers.

Lord Wimborne recently gave a private luncheon to hear pronouncement by Lord D'Abernon regarding the situation in Germany and to discuss how far the German solutions of industrial problems were applicable in Britain, and it is now learned that Mr. Winston Churchill and leading industrial labourites were among the guests. With reference to a report that the luncheon was politically important, a Trade Union official to-day told Reuters that it was a friendly and informal talk about the industrial position and peace, and that the atmosphere was so satisfactory that the hope was expressed that the people immediately concerned might get together again.

PREMIER'S ADVICE.

Mr. Stanley Baldwin, in an article in the Advertising World optimistically reviews the prospects of the restoration of trade if all work together, and says that our problem is to produce goods and let the world know we have them. I have no fears on the production side, but on the selling side we must modernise our methods and employ the recent great developments in the art of advertising.

Mr. George Terrell, M.P., President of the National Union of Manufacturers, in the same paper contemplates the prospects of a boom in trade as being most bright on account of the increased costs of production on the continent which will seriously affect the Continent's capacity to export. Therefore, there will be less of that fierce competition which for the past few years has been so disastrous to British industry. —*Reuters.*

NICARAGUA'S REVOLT.**TERRIBLE AFTER-BATTLE SCENES.**

Managua, Jan. 3. At Managua the spectacle of thousands of vultures engaged in loathsome orgies, marks the scene of last week's most bloody battle at the Las Perlas swamps, where there are indescribable heaps of corpses, many of whom were only wounded and left to die abandoned, with no attempt at removal or burial. The Liberals numbered 1,800 and the Conservatives 1,300, and at least 300 were killed and 150 wounded on both sides. The Commander-in-Chief of the Conservatives has decided to mobilise every fit man between the age of 12 and 50.

A message from Mexico City says that M. Zepeda, the Liberals' representative in Mexico, claims that 300 Conservatives were taken prisoner at Las Perlas.

The Nicaraguan Liberal Leader, M. Saenz, in a message to the New York World complains bitterly at the "unjustified and unnecessary" landing of American Marines at Puerto Cabezas, and adds that Nicaraguans have repudiated Gen. Diaz whose only support is from the United States while he describes the accusations that Mexico is assisting the Liberals as a report of Bolshevik influences at work and merely propaganda. —*Reuters' American Service.*

ELLEN TERRY'S ILLNESS.**PATIENT SLIGHTLY BETTER.**

Rugby, Jan. 3. Dame Ellen Terry, the famous actress, who has been seriously ill for several days with bronchitis, is reported to be slightly better to-day. —*British Wireless.*

LATE MR. MATTINGLY.**WARM TRIBUTES BY THE FULL COURT.**

The Supreme Court was crowded with solicitors and barristers this morning when the Chief Justice, Sir Henry Gollan, and the Puisne Judge, Mr. Justice Wood, sat together in Full Court, to express sympathy with the relatives of the late Mr. R. F. Mattingly, who died at Repulse Bay Hotel recently. High tribute was paid to the late Mr. Mattingly's work, and sorrow was expressed at the loss his death had occasioned both to the legal profession and the community generally.

Speaking on behalf of the legal profession, the Hon. Sir Joseph Kemp, K.C., Attorney General, said:—"It is my sad duty, on behalf of both branches of the legal profession, to express our grief at the death of Mr. Mattingly. He had many claims both on our affection and esteem. In the course of his legal education he showed a brilliance which has never been surpassed. In the conduct of his profession he very soon attained a reputation, which anyone, anywhere, might have envied. In private life he was always bright, sympathetic, and unselfish. For many years he fought against ill-health with a courage

FENGTIEN AGREEMENT.**Statement Soon to be Issued.**

Peking, Jan. 3. General Yang Yu-ting's alleged differences with Marshal Chang Tso-lin are evidently healed, for he arrived at Peking on Sunday afternoon. It is understood that his chief object is to assist Marshal Chang Tso-lin to draw up an important statement which it is expected will be issued shortly as regards the Fengtien policy.

A message from Changchow says that General Chin Yu-nao is reported to have handed over his troops to General Tien Wei-chun and to have retired to a private residence at Chikungshan. —*Reuters.*

and cheerfulness which won the admiration of all of us. We have lost a wise counsellor and a good friend. I only wish to add that we all desire respectfully to offer our sympathy with his relatives in their bereavement."

The Chief Justice said:—"Mr. Attorney—Mr. Mattingly very seldom appeared in these Courts, but on the few occasions that he came before me I realised that he was a man with personality, and of sound legal judgment. What you have said of his career and the esteem in which he was held by all those with whom he came into contact in this Colony, only serves to confirm the impression of the slight acquaintance left on my mind. We deplore—and I speak for my learned brother as well as myself—we deplore the ceasing of a career which showed itself of such great value, and we deplore it all the more because that value increased as time went on. We desire to associate ourselves with the expression of sympathy which you have given on behalf of the profession. I propose, Mr. Attorney, to direct that a record be entered in the minutes of the Court of what you have said and also to direct the Registrar to communicate an expression of our sympathy to his relatives."

COLONIAL APPOINTMENT.**NEW GOVERNOR OF GAMBIA.**

Rugby, Jan. 3. H.M. the King has approved the appointment of Sir John Middleton, on the termination of his appointment as Governor of the Falkland Islands, to be Governor and Commander-in-Chief of Gambia, in succession to Sir Cecil Armitage, whose term of office is expiring shortly. —*British Wireless.*

For using his master's car for public hire, a Chinese chauffeur was fined \$50 by Mr. R. E. Lindell this morning.

SHANGHAI WORKLESS PARADE.**DRILLED WITH DUMMY RIFLES.****ANTI-CHRISTIAN MOVE.**

Unemployed workers from Japanese cotton mills in Shanghai who, in recent weeks have acquired the rudiments of military training for eventual service under the Kuomintang, revealed their intentions by staging an exhibition of training on a piece of vacant land at Tan Tz Wan, the notorious labour union centre in Chapel, last week.

Although they used dummy rifles of wood, they appeared like the famous Chauves Souris parade of the wooden soldiers, but, according to one impassioned orator, as civilian soldiers "training to fight the militarists by the time they reach Shanghai."

About 30 men turned up for the parade, which was held at 7 a.m., and was unknown beforehand to the Chinese police.

More samples of anti-Christian propaganda distributed by Shanghai students in recent days are falling into the hands of the authorities. One particularly distinctive pamphlet bears the title "The ten crimes of Christianity" and contains some strange assertions regarding the motives and ideas inspiring the Christian religion.

One of the alleged crimes is the insult to womanhood by the Bible assertion that the first woman was born from the rib of Adam, according to this pamphlet which, in addition to attributing a large measure of China's ills to the introduction of Christianity, also says the Christian religion advocates industrial and social oppression by urging all servants to obey, fear and respect their employers.

GREAT LAKES SCHEME.**A CANAL FOR OCEAN SHIPPING.**

Washington, Jan. 3. The Hoover Commission appointed by President Coolidge to advise upon the development of the canal from the Great Lakes to the Atlantic has reported in favour of the St. Lawrence route as recommended by the Canadian and American Joint Board of Engineers.

The Commission declares that the construction of a canal of sufficient depth to admit ocean shipping from the Atlantic to the Great Lakes is an economic necessity for the Middle-West. The Commission prefers the St. Lawrence route in view of the advantages in cost and maintenance, especially the belief that the scheme will make possible the largest hydro-electric development project in North America, providing a total of 5,000,000 horse power, of which about one half lies in the Upper Rapids along the international sections between the State of New York and Ontario. —*Reuters' American Service.*

LABOUR CLASHES.**SERIOUS FIGHTING IN CANTON.**

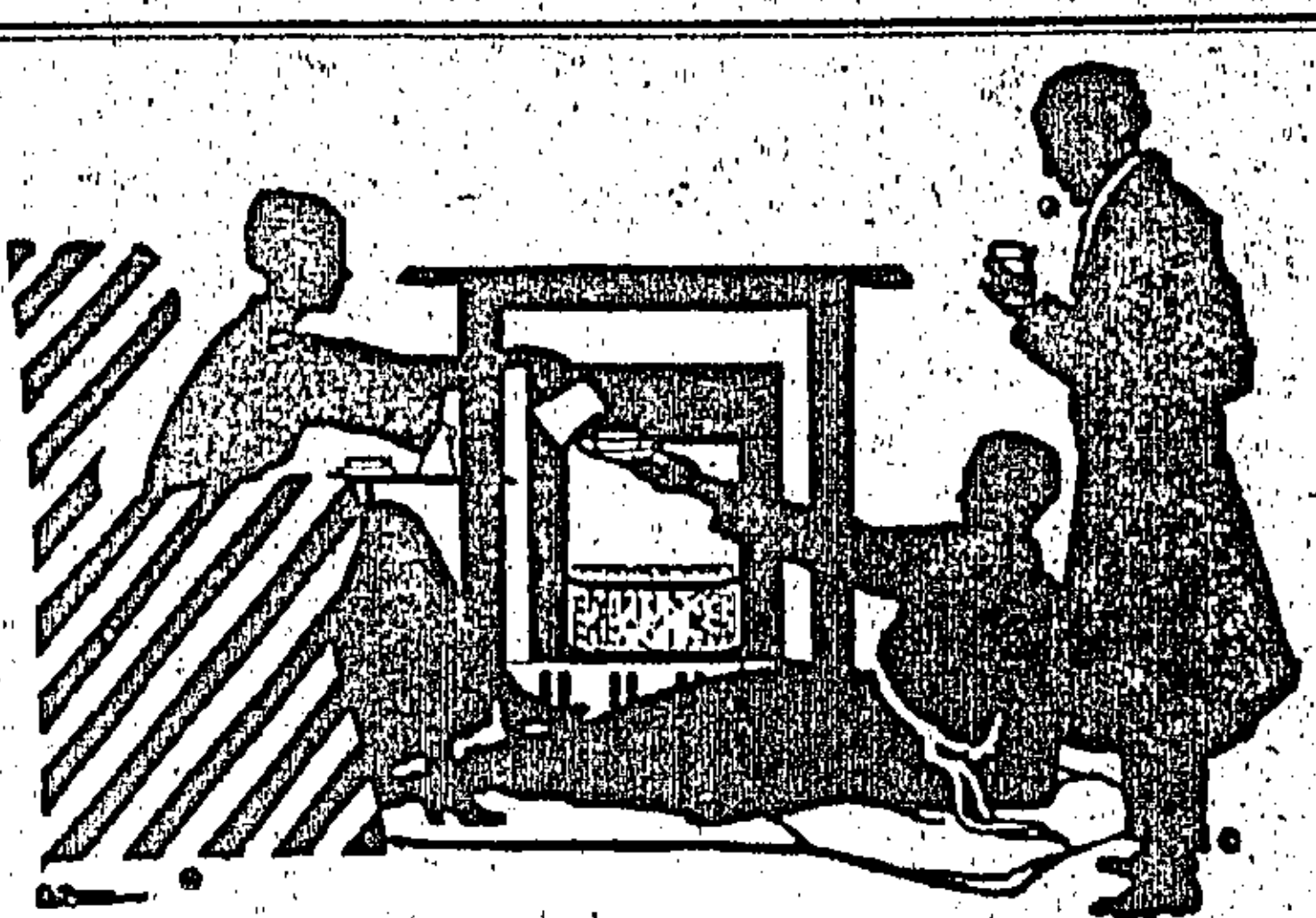
Despite the recent Government regulations aimed at the suppression of labour feuds, the New Year celebrations in Canton have not passed off without street fighting between rival unions.

The principal combatants have been members of the Workers' Representative Conference and of the Kwangtung General Labour Union, whilst students have also taken part in the battles.

It is reported that in the clashes which occurred on New Year's Day, at least thirty were killed and fifty wounded.

Rugby, Jan. 3.

Yesterday was the bi-centenary of the birth of General Wolfe, the hero of Quebec, and at a commemorative banquet to-night the guests will include most of the direct living relatives of Wolfe, the descendants of Pitt, who was the Minister who selected him for the command, and the descendants of the officers who served under Wolfe. —*British Wireless.*



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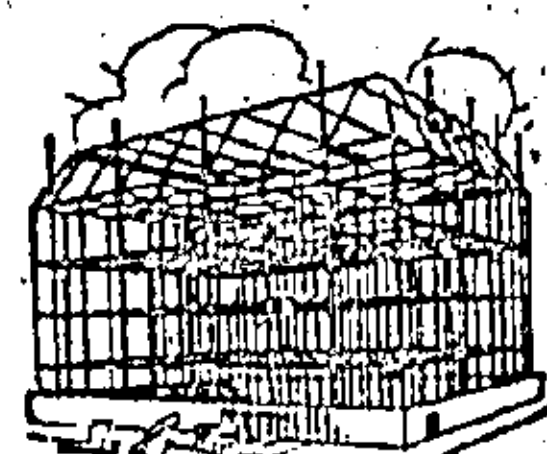
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CONTEMPT OF COURT.

(Continued From Page 2.)

Unprocurable Witnesses. Lieut. Sloane Stanley, in the witness box said that he had two witnesses, one of whom, he was sorry to say, was now dead, and the second was away at sea on duty, but if during the case it appeared that the evidence of the witness who was away, was essential, he would ask his Worship for an adjournment. The evidence of his absent witness would corroborate, continued the defendant, the statements that he himself was going to make. He would also like to call the Indian constable who was on point duty at the junction of Salisbury and Nathan Roads.

Giving evidence in his own defence, Lieut. Sloane Stanley said that on December 4 at about 7.30 p.m. he was proceeding along Salisbury Road from the direction of Signal Hill to the Ferry. The speed of his car was, about 25 miles per hour. On nearing the junction of Nathan and Salisbury Roads, (about 50 yards away), witness noticed three rickshas running at a quick pace, turn into Salisbury Road.

Witness at once sounded his horn, and seeing that the first ricksha was not in full control of the coolie he immediately applied his brakes. He slackened speed to eight miles an hour within ten or twelve yards and could have completely stopped if it had been necessary.

The leading ricksha then turned to the right and as it did not attempt to go back to the left again, witness passed it.

The Right of Way.

Continuing, witness said that he believed that traffic in Salisbury Road, had the right of way over traffic which appeared to be about 30 to 50 yards away, the ricksha pullers had no right to attempt to cross the road.

The Indian constable who was on duty on the corner was questioned by the defendant. He said that about 7.30 p.m. on December 4 there was a lot of traffic in Salisbury road, travelling in both directions. He noticed a motor car passing at about that time, but he was unable to state the number of the vehicle. He saw no car speeding nor did he see any car disobey the traffic signals. No rickshas had disobeyed his signals that night.

Lieut. Col. Lewis then rose and asked if he was entitled to cross-examine the witness. His Worship allowed Col. Lewis to question the constable, who in cross-examination said that he was standing about ten paces from the lamp standard.

Addressing his Worship the Colonel said that the constable was conspicuous by his absence, as was generally the case.

His Worship said that although Col. Lewis could ask the witness questions he could not make a statement.

Conflict of Opinion.

Lieut. Sloane Stanley was then asked to return to the witness box and was asked what he meant when he said that the leading ricksha was not under full control of the puller. Witness replied that the coolie was running at a fast rate and was pulling back on his shafts in order to slow down.

Col. Lewis put it to witness that that was not correct, but Lieut. Sloane Stanley disagreed.

Col. Lewis asked the Court if the ricksha coolie could be traced and was told that attempts had been made to locate the puller, but without success.

In giving his decision, his Worship said that there seemed to be a great conflict in the evidence which had been given. The complainant had stated that the car was 60 yards away and the witness, Mr. Standage, said it was about 30. That made a considerable difference as to the distance in which the car had pulled up. The defendant had stated that the leading ricksha was out of control of the puller, but this was contradicted by the complainant. In view of the conflict he could not convict the defendant. Lieut. Sloane Stanley would, however, be fined \$10 for contempt of Court by his failure to appear on December 20.

THE SOUTHERN RAILWAY.

BIG SCHEMES ALREADY IN HAND.

Rugby, Jan. 3. An estimated expenditure of £8,000,000 is involved in schemes for the reconstruction and development of the Southern Railway. Some of the work, including a £5,000,000 dock at Southampton, is already in hand, and the sum set aside for electrification by the London suburban lines amounts to £2,750,000.—British Wireless.

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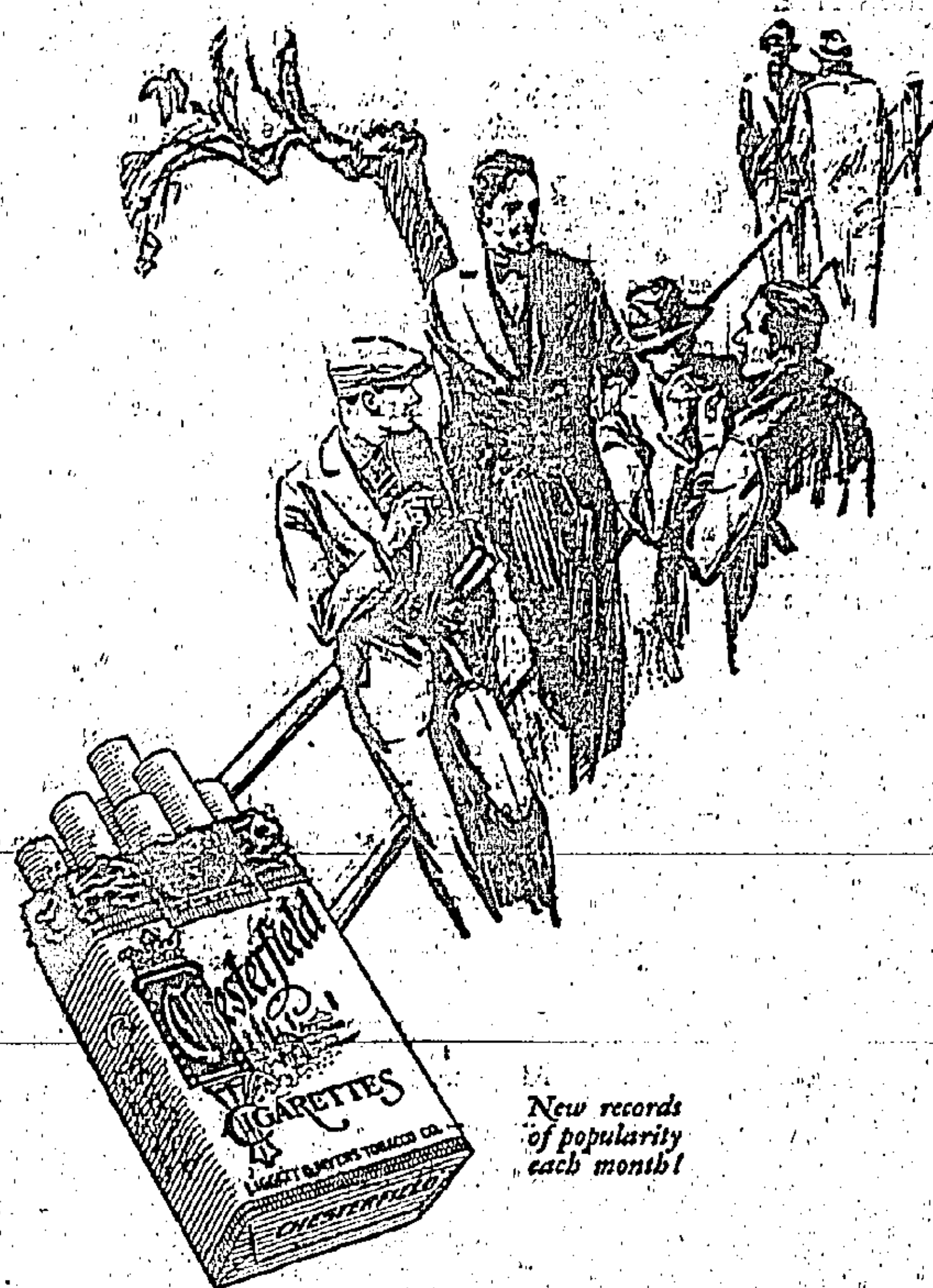
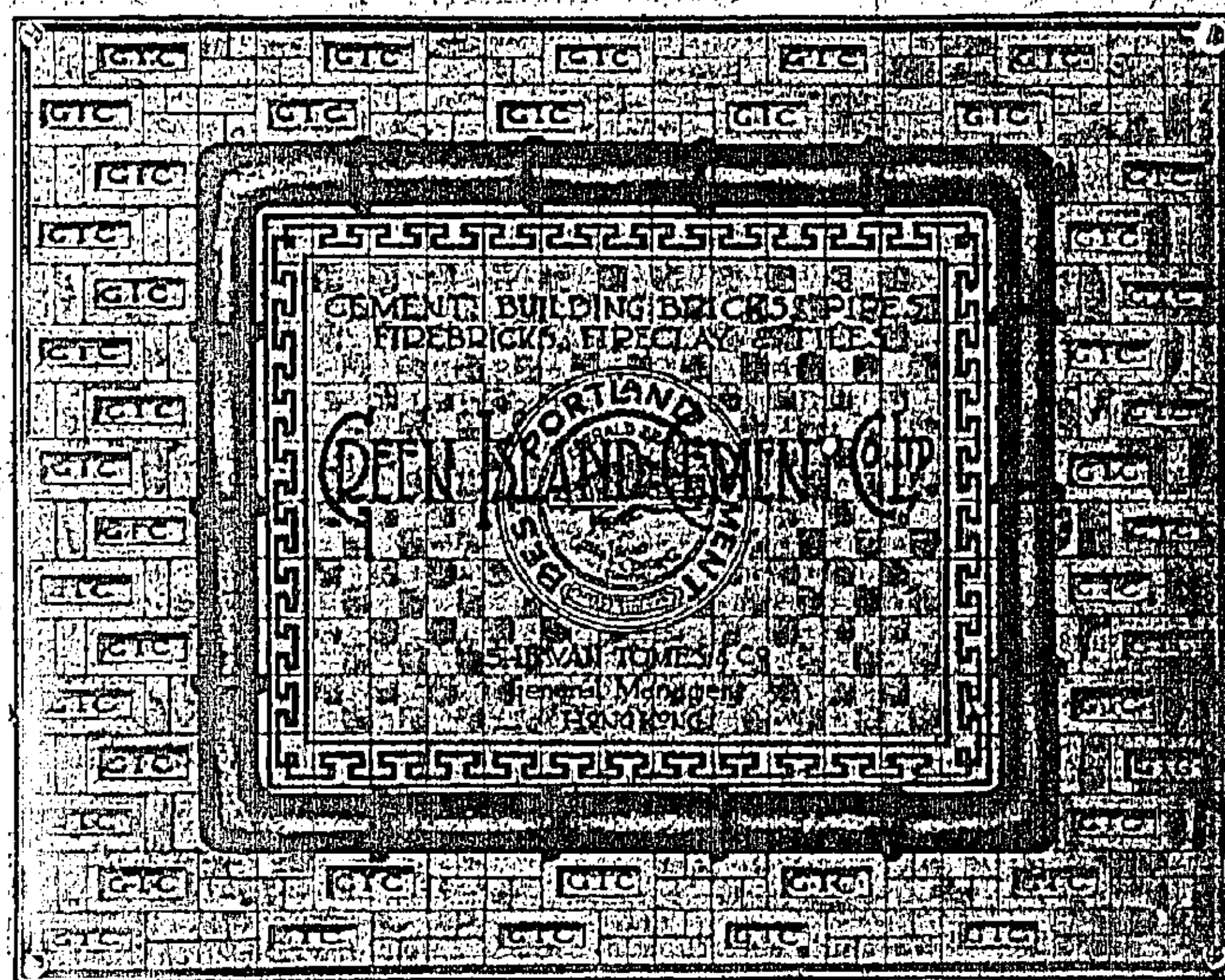
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HOME FOOTBALL.

YESTERDAY'S LEAGUE RESULTS.

London, January 3.

The results of matches played yesterday in the English and Scottish Leagues are appended:

Division III (North).

Ashington	2	Chatterfield	2
Hartlepool	1	Stockport	1
Wigan	1	Halifax	1

Division III (South).

Aberdeen	2	Hamilton	1
Airdrie	2	Queen's Park	1
Dundee	1	Dundee	0
Dundee U.	1	Kilmarnock	0
Dundee F.C.	1	Cowdenbeath	3
Heart of Midlothian	4	Falkirk	3
Motherwell	3	Rangers	4
Partick	1	Clyde	3
St. Johnstone	3	Morton	1
St. Mirren	3		

—Renter.

LEADERS IN THE LEAGUES.

There were several upsets in English League football on New Year's Day, Burnley, Sunderland, and Leicester all failing to register expected victories. Hull City and Swansea in the Second Division, were beaten, and both Southern Section leaders suffered defeat. The leading positions in the respective divisions are as follows:

First Division.

Newcastle	23	13	5	67	32	31
Burnley	24	12	6	69	40	30
Sunderland	25	12	5	67	44	29
Huddersfield	23	8	12	6	47	36
Bolton	23	11	5	7	47	32
Leicester	23	9	6	8	44	24
Tottenham	23	10	4	9	38	33
West Ham	23	10	4	9	38	33

Division II.

Middlesbrough	22	15	2	6	39	32
Nottingham Forest	23	11	8	4	42	31
Hull City	23	13	3	4	45	29
Portsmouth	22	11	7	4	44	29
Preston	22	11	7	4	44	29
Swansea	22	11	7	4	44	29

Division III (North).

Swindon	22	15	4	3	62	38
Millwall	24	13	5	6	34	31
Brighton	20	13	4	3	45	21
Bristol C.	20	12	5	3	53	29
Newport	22	12	3	7	27	31
Plymouth	22	10	6	4	32	26

Division III (South).

Stoke	22	15	2	3	58	17
Stockport	21	14	4	5	20	31
Rochdale	22	13	4	5	35	30
Nelson	19	12	4	3	55	23
Bradford	22	12	4	4	46	32
Halifax	21	9	3	3	32	27

Scottish League.

Motherwell	22	14	4	4	50	27
Rangers	20	12	4	4	54	27
Celtic	20	12	4	4	58	24
Aberdeen	23	10	7	6	51	42
Falkirk	22	10	6	6	48	31
Airdrie	22	10	5	7	54	39
St. Mirren	22	11	3	8	51	36
Partick	22	10	4	8	58	37
Hibernians	22	9	5	8	58	43
Heart of Midlothian	22	8	6	8	42	44
Cowdenbeath	22	9	10	3	30	47
St. Johnstone	22	8	9	5	33	38
Queen's Park	22	8	11	3	35	51
Hamilton	22	6	11	3	32	57
Morton	22	7	12	3	30	63
Clyde	22	5	12	3	34	50
Dundee U.	22	5	12	3	31	53
Kilmarnock	23	5	13	2	24	47
Dunfermline	23	5	16	2	21	54

"TEST" CRICKET SHARE-OUT.

£1,111 EACH FOR M.C.C. AND 17 COUNTIES.

Seventeen first-class counties and the M.C.C. have each received £1,111 as their share of the profits on last season's cricket Test matches. This represents 60 per cent. of the total figure.

Thirty per cent. about (£9,000) has been divided among the five clubs on whose grounds the matches took place, the remaining 10 per cent. being distributed among the second-class counties.

UNUSUAL GOLF INCIDENT.

HOW TED RAY WAS DISQUALIFIED.

As a result of a very unusual and unavoidable incident, Ted Ray and his partner, Mr. Tudwal Jones, of Oxhey, were disqualified in the Herts Alliance 27-holes best ball competition, at Old Ford Manor, recently.

Mr. Jones pulled a shot into the rough, but played a fine shot out, and eventually holed in five. Ted Ray had a three-putt for a four, but on missing it picked up his ball, since a five apparently had been secured.

On picking Mr. Jones's ball from the hole, however, it was discovered

BOBBY ABEL'S FLIGHT.

FORMER OVAL IDOL ALMOST BLIND.

Once the idol of the Oval crowds, Bobby Abel, the Surrey and England cricketer, now almost blind and in rather straitened circumstances, was 69 last month. The little sports business in Kensington, S.E., which he has had for 20 years has ceased to pay. Bobby Abel told a *Daily Mail* reporter recently: "Since the war I have been almost blind, and I have been unable to manage my business. The personal touch has gone, and now I shall have to try and sell up. There used to be a continual stream of friends coming to see me; now they all seem to have vanished."

Abel began playing cricket when he was 10 and played in first-class cricket from 1881 until 1905. To-day Bobby Abel's income is six shillings a week from the Cricketers' Fund.

"For years Abel was the most popular of Surrey batsmen—at least as popular as Hobbs is to-day."

In some cases cold figures speak more loudly than words of eulogy. Here, then, are some facts about Abel's achievements:

In each of the eight seasons from 1896 to 1902 he scored over 2,000 runs in first-class cricket.

In 1899 he scored 357 not out against Somerset.

In 1901 his aggregate of runs reached 3,309.

His number of centuries in first-class games was 74.

In addition to all this he was a useful slow bowler and a good field—first at slip and later at point.

Abel's style was his own—unorthodox yet efficient—but he had most of the strokes at his command.

Dr. W. G. Grace, under whose captaincy Abel played in Test matches both in England and Australia, once said: "As a batsman he is in the first flight, having exceptionally strong defence, and for his size he hits hard all round. His pluck and cheerfulness are really first-rate."

And Mr. C. B. Fry wrote of him: "There are no two ways about his batting. He gathers runs like blackberries everywhere he goes."

The *Daily Mail* started a fund to assist the veteran cricketer, saying, in an editorial note:

It is clear from the number of letters we are receiving from our readers that it has come as some-thing of a shock to the sporting public in this country to learn that one of the most famous cricketers of the past, the Surrey professional, Robert Abel, is in great poverty and distress. So sad is his position that it calls for immediate aid from British sportsmen, who are perhaps the most generous-hearted and most kindly people in the world.

"The professional cricketer is almost invariably a fine fellow—conscientious, hard-working, and in every respect trustworthy. But the game he plays is an exacting one and does not necessarily assist him to acquire business ways so as to enable him to prosper in business when he finally leaves the cricket field, which, in the case of a first-class player, is not usually till well on in middle life. He may try to get a post as cricket coach in a public school, but the number of such posts is limited. He has generally to fall back on his savings, which are not often large, and the proceeds of a benefit match at the end of his career."

"Not having been trained to business, the professional cricketer is at a disadvantage when he engages in it on his retirement. In Abel's case the business gradually declined, perhaps in part because of the war, so that now in his old age, partially blind and almost helpless, he is at the end of his resources. We therefore appeal confidently to all sportsmen to come to his help by subscribing to the fund that Mr. Fender is organising. He deserves their assistance as an old friend and one of the best players that southern England ever produced."

ed that the ball was not that which he had played from the tee, he presumably having found some-thing else in the rough. The Oxhey pair had no option but to retire from the competition.

HOLIDAY CRICKET.

NAVY DEFEATS THE CLUB.

The match between the Hongkong Cricket Club and the Navy, in the final game of the triangular tournament, was concluded yesterday, victory going to the Navy by a margin of four wickets. Thus, the tournament is drawn, each side having won one game.

The game started on New Year's Day, the Club opening their second innings late on Saturday afternoon, and when stumps were drawn they had lost three wickets for forty-one runs.

When the game was resumed yesterday, H. Owen Hughes gave a brilliant display by knocking up 165 not out. He reached the boundary on no fewer than twenty-two occasions. The Navy faced a deficit of 270 runs. Their scoring proved fast and consistent throughout, with 62 not out from Sturges, and they passed the Club's score with four wickets in hand and ten minutes to spare. The scores were:

H.K.C.C.—1st Innings.

A. W. Hayward, c. Brewerton, b. Sturges	49
E. J. R. Mitchell, b. Cantrell	0
H. Owen Hughes, b. Cantrell	0
G. R. Sayer, c. Cantrell, b. Beatty	41
T. E. Pearce, c. Brewerton, b. Beatty	10
R. B. Hancock, c. Armitage, b. Sturges	7
J. C. Lynam, b. Sturges	2
G. F. Gardner, c. and b. Sturges	19
J. R. Hinton, c. Brewerton, b. Sturges	11
A. C. I. Bowker, not out	1
G. R. Vallack, b. Sturges	1
Extras	6
Total	146

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Cantrell	15	3	21	2
Beatty	15	1	45	2
Emley	4	1	23	1
Shaw	3	1	13	0
Sturges	61	1	36	6

Navy—1st Innings.

Lt.-Comdr. Armitage, c. Owen Hughes, b. Bowker	1
Pay Lt. Hussey, c. Hayward, b. Bowker	42
Lt. Sparkes, b. Sayer	43
Flight Lt. Brewerton, b. Bowker	43
Fl. O. Newell, c. Gardner, b. Sayer	2
Rev. Venn, b. Bowker	2
Lt.-Col. Cantrell, l.b.w., Sayer	1
Lt. Emley, c. Hancock, b. Vallack	12
Lt. Sturges, not out	22
Pay Lt.-Comdr. Shaw, st. Pearce	26
b. Sayer	21
Lt.-Comdr. Beatty, b. Bowker	27
Extras	1
Total	175

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Bowker	22	2	38	5
Vallack	12	3	32	1
Sayer	14	1	64	1
Owen Hughes	4	1	15	0

H.K.C.C.—2nd Innings.

G. F. Gardner, b. Cantrell	1
E. J. R. Mitchell, b. Cantrell	11
H. Owen Hughes, not out	165
G. R. Sayer, c. and b. Sturges	1
A. W. Hayward, b. Emley	18
T. E. Pearce, c. Shaw, b. Sturges	33
H. R. B. Hancock, c. Armitage, b. Sturges	8
J. C. Lynam, b. Sturges	4
J. R. Hinton, c. Hussey, b. Sturges	0
Extras	11
Total (for 8 wks dec)	290
A. C. I. Bowker and G. R. Vallack did not bat.	

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Beatty	25	3	85	2
Cantrell	21	4	82	2
Sturges	10	1	67	5
Emley	6	1	24	1
Shaw	5	1	30	1

Royal Navy—2nd Innings.

Lt.-Com. Armitage, c. Vallack, b. Sayer	29
Pay Lt. Hussey, st. Pearce, b. Sayer	25
Fl. O. Newell, c. Hancock, b. Sayer	32
Rev. Venn, l.b.w., Vallack	39
Lt. Sturges, not out	32
Lt. Emley, st. Pearce, b. Vallack	10
Pay Lt.-Com. Shaw, not out	47
Lt.-Col. Cantrell	13
Extras	1
Total (for 6 wks.)	279
Lt. Sparkes, F. O. Newall and Lt. Com. Beatty did not bat.	

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Bowker	24	4	86	1
Vallack	21	1	86	2
Sayer	6	1	35	1
Owen Hughes	8	1	29	0

Kowloon Match.

An inter-club match between teams captained by the President (Mr. R. E. Lindell) and the Vice President (Mr. E. Abraham) was played on the Kowloon C.C. ground yesterday. Scoring was high.

Butting first, the Vice President's team scored 243, of which C. T. Evans made 115 not out, a very good knock. The President's side replied with 185, a loud cheer from the pavilion greeting the dismissal of the last man, clean bowled by the Vice President himself.

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—British Wireless.

The Hongkong Boxing Association's tournament arranged for Saturday next will take place. The place of Bromley will be taken by Stoker Booth.

Charged at Hull with drunkenness George Drinkwater, labourer, asked for a chance to live in accordance with his name, and in reply to a question said he was not working.

Rugby, Jan. 3.

Sir Samuel Hoare arrived at Baghdad yesterday afternoon on his flight to India, after a journey of 543 miles from Ziza, in Palestine.

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Hongkong C.C. v. Civil Service.

Yesterday afternoon these two second teams met at Happy Valley, the match resulting in an easy victory for the visitors, who kept their opponents for the paucity score of 42 runs. Sumners took five wickets for eight runs and Parker five for 18.

The Club players replied with 114, Brownjohn scoring 35 before retiring and Orr 20.

Craigengower v. Ponsonby

Panne's XI.

Professor Ponsonby Fane, took a team down to the Craigengower and suffered defeat by nearly 100 runs. Bating first the Professor's team made only 77 runs, B. P. Ng being top scorer with 27. Siling made 14. With four wickets for 18 runs Omar easily topped the Craigengower bowling list.

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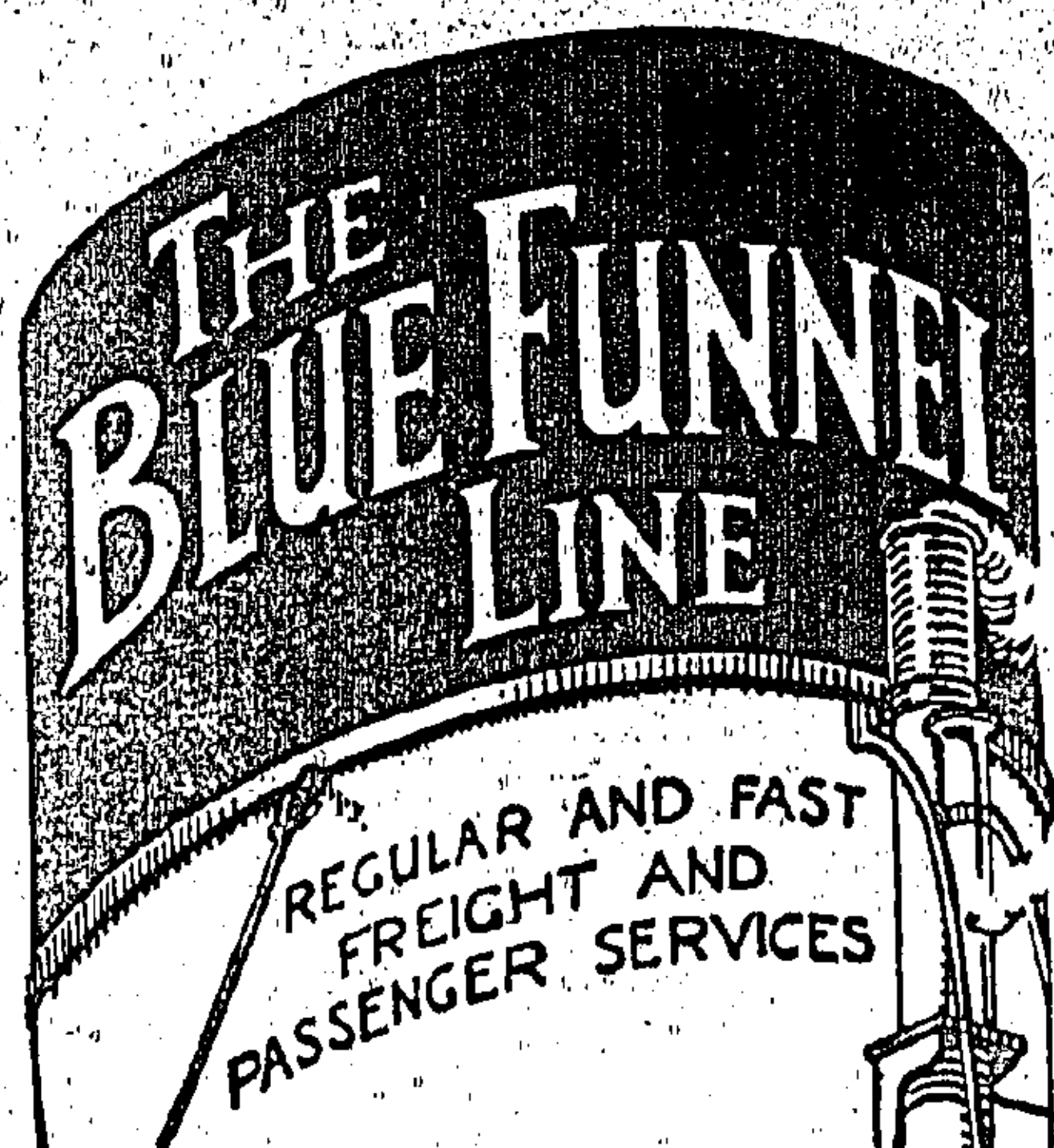
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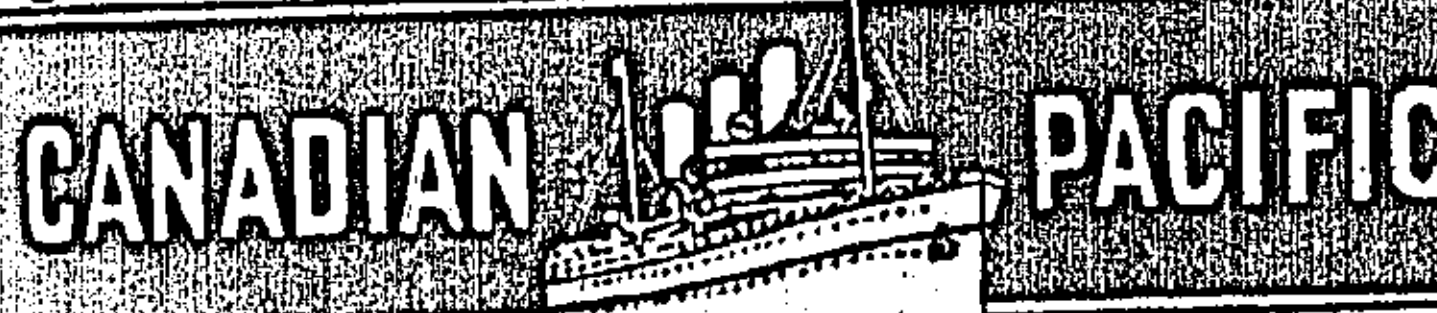
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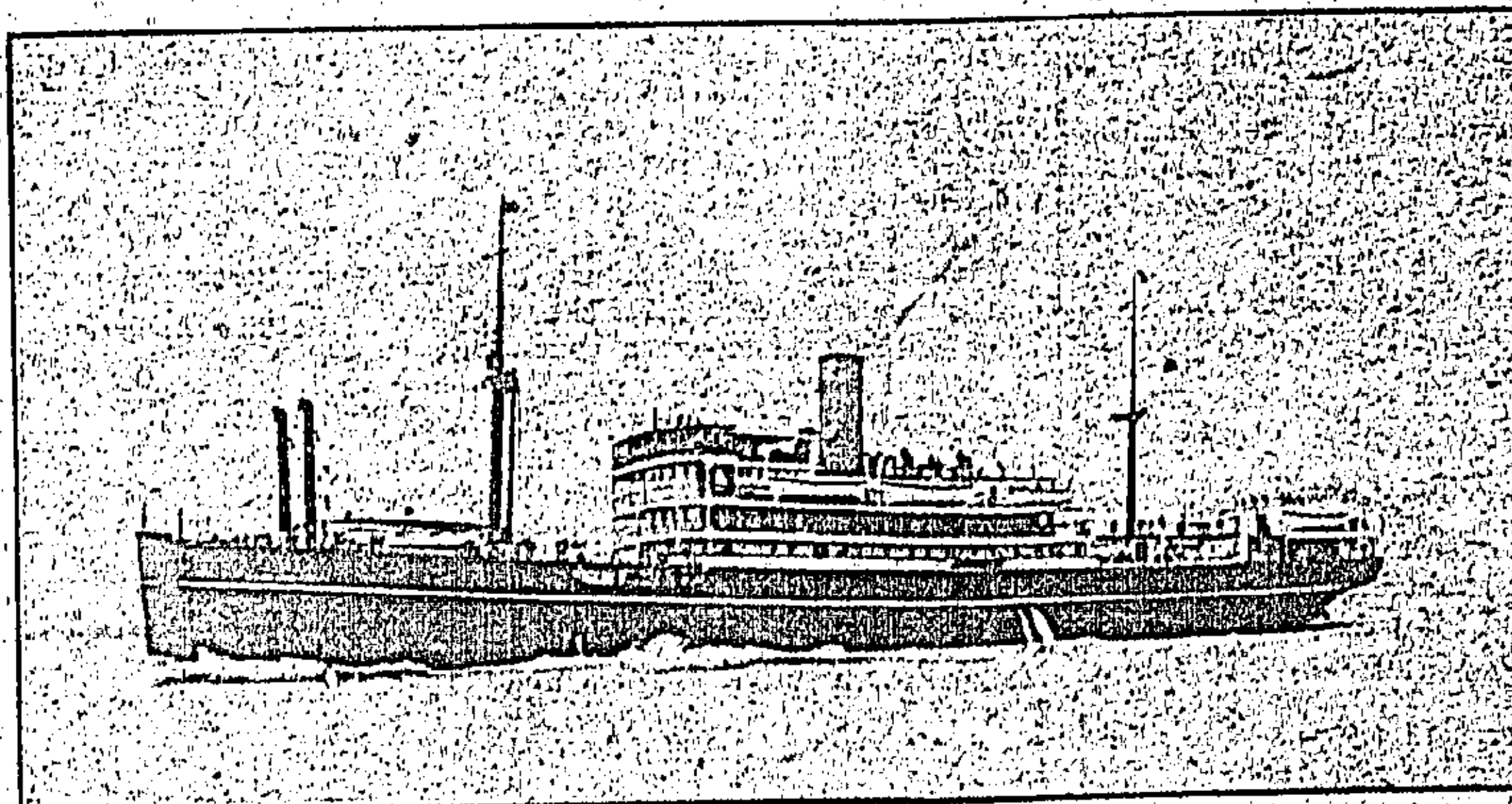
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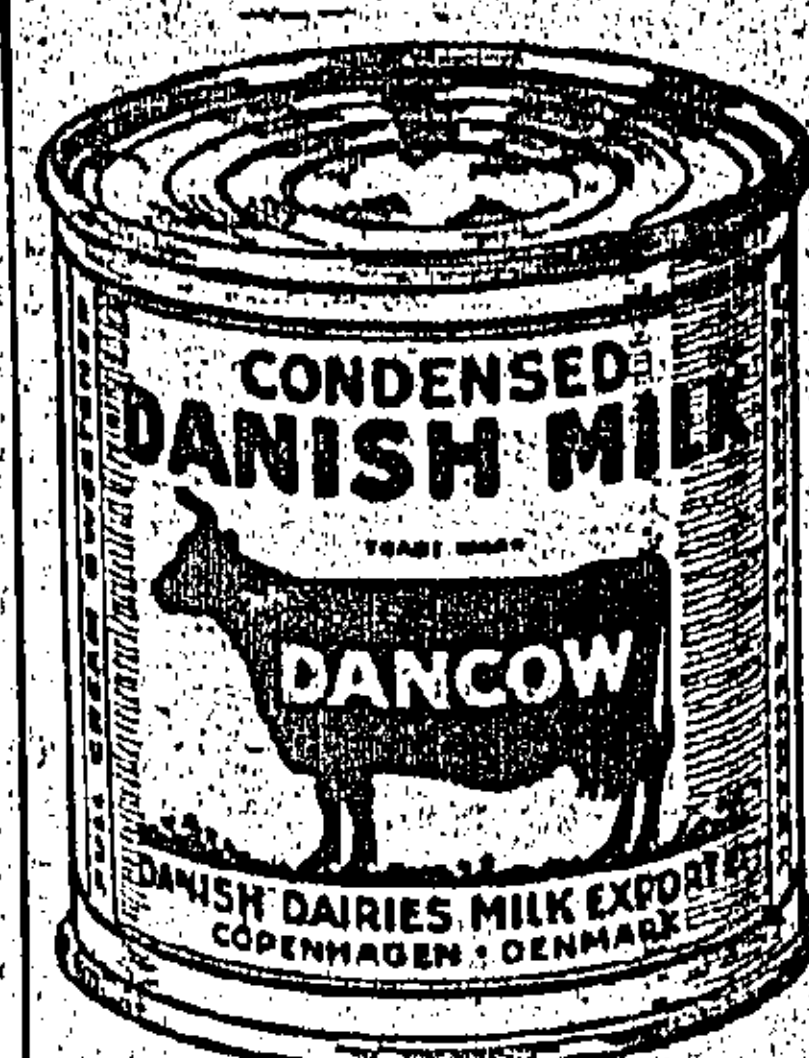
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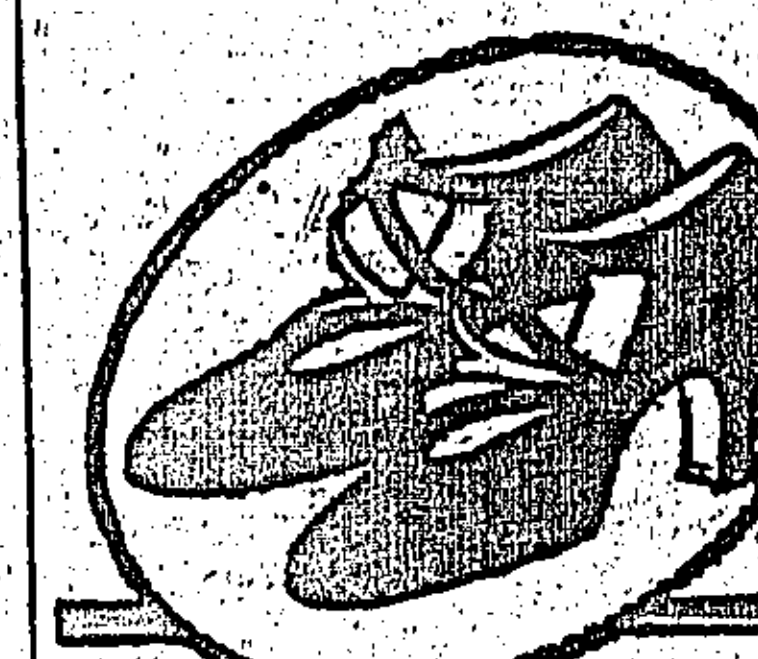
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HANGCHOW PANIC.

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NORTHERN DISARMED.

At a town named U Yu, the Northerners, on demanding disarmament of the disaffected troops were overpowered and in turn they themselves were disarmed and taken prisoners. Following this, it is said, the Chedang men marched on to Hsi Hsing, on the opposite bank of the Chientang River to Nansingyao, and defied the Northerners to attempt a crossing. Another scrap took place, but with what result no very reliable news has come to hand. People have been greatly scared, and almost every shop on the water front has been closed. The Northerners have been busy all day making temporary defence works and, as far as outward appearance goes, give the impression that they mean battle.

FLIGHT TO SHANGHAI.

Dec. 27.

There was a great exodus of civilians by the train which steamed out for Shanghai this morning. The din and bustle on the platform presented a scene easily forgotten. Many passengers were left behind being unable to board the train for the crush. About an hour after the departure of the Shanghai train, the special conveying General Mang and his staff, made its appearance. The general alighted amid a perfect fanfare of trumpets and voices. He rode off to his headquarters by motor followed by his bodyguard. Excitement has greatly decreased since the paroxysm of yesterday—shops are again opened, and everything seems to be going on as usual.

SOVIET GRIP.

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CANTON'S FOREIGN BRAIN.

To this second question there can only be one answer and that is that the Cantonese owe the whole of their success to the Bolshevik. Hotblooded nationalism will not run about at the behest of foreigners unless it has to. The Cantonese must realize that without this foreign help they are powerless, their cause lost. All those revolutionary nuclei, all that strategy, those tactics, they are the work of master-brains, experts. So, being sensible, the Cantonese bow to the inevitable and run about. They may intend, when the full victory has been

CORRESPONDENCE.

ISLAM AND POLYGAMY.

[To the Editor of the Hongkong Telegraph.]

Sir,—In your last Friday's issue, the Bishop of London, in the course of an address to a congregation of men in the Cathedral, was reported to have said:—"If they wanted to see what the teaching of Mahomedanism led to, it was only necessary to go to Morocco, where they would find four women around one man." Your readers probably took this remark as a sneering reference to the alleged evils of polygamy, a system which, though permitted by Islam, is anything but prevalent in the Muslim world.

A Mussulman is only allowed to have more than one wife under certain circumstances, but it would take too much of your valuable space to go into the details of the Koranic law with regard to this matter.

The writer does not intend to enter into the question of the moral and social aspect of polygamy, but in passing he would just like to mention that it is not prohibited in the Bible.

Nothing perhaps does greater harm to the cause of inter-religious amity than the superficial generalisation so often made about a religion, and it is regrettable that a Church dignitary of such high standing should go so far afield as North Africa to pick out supposed evils, when on his own doorstep, so to speak, moral conditions are anything but perfect.

It would be equally wrong for a Muslim observer who has witnessed the scenes of disorder incidental to Boat Race night, or the long queues waiting for admission into the Divorce Court to listen to many a cause celebre, to say that drunkenness, morbidity of mind and laxity of morals are part and parcel of Christianity.—Yours, etc.,

HASSAN EL ARICULLI.

Hongkong, Jan. 4th, 1927.

won, to remove their masters. But they will then wake up to the fact that it is easier to win a victory than to hold a peace and that those master-minds are more necessary than ever. The Russians, if they have to go even badly, will leave China in a far worse state than they found it, without ancestors, without "tao-li," and with education and religion debauched.—Bolshevik-breeds not peace, but in turmoil. What a prospect!

SUNNING PIRACY TRIAL.

THE "LOOT CABIN."

The Police Court proceedings in connection with the trial of the Sunning piracy suspects this morning entered upon the closing stage when formal evidence was given by police officers of the task which fell on them on the return of the ship here. This included the sorting out of evidence presented by property recovered on certain of the defendants and also in a room selected by the pirates for the collection of the loot, to which the name of "loot cabin" was given.

Sub-Inspector Lane, in the course of his evidence this morning, spoke of finding Mr. Lapsley's overcoat in the cabin referred to and also of discovering another waterproof in No. 9 defendant's trunk which was later identified, in quite an accidental way, by Mrs. Anderson, the Chinese wife of a foreigner who was a passenger on the steamer.

Cross-examined by Mr. M. K. Lo in respect of certain goods found in the possession of the grave-mason (the No. 6 defendant, To Sik-tuen), witness admitted that these, as well as certain cards and documents found on the man, were consistent with his story that he was on a business trip between Amoy and Hongkong.

At the fifth interval the hearing was again adjourned.

MORE CHEQUES.

A GROWING PRACTICE.

Rugby, Jan. 3.

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A reprieve having been refused, Charles Houghton, a butler, was executed at Gloucester goal for the murder of his employers, the Messrs. Elinor Drinkwater Woodhouse and Martha Gordon Woodhouse, at Burghill Court, Herefordshire.

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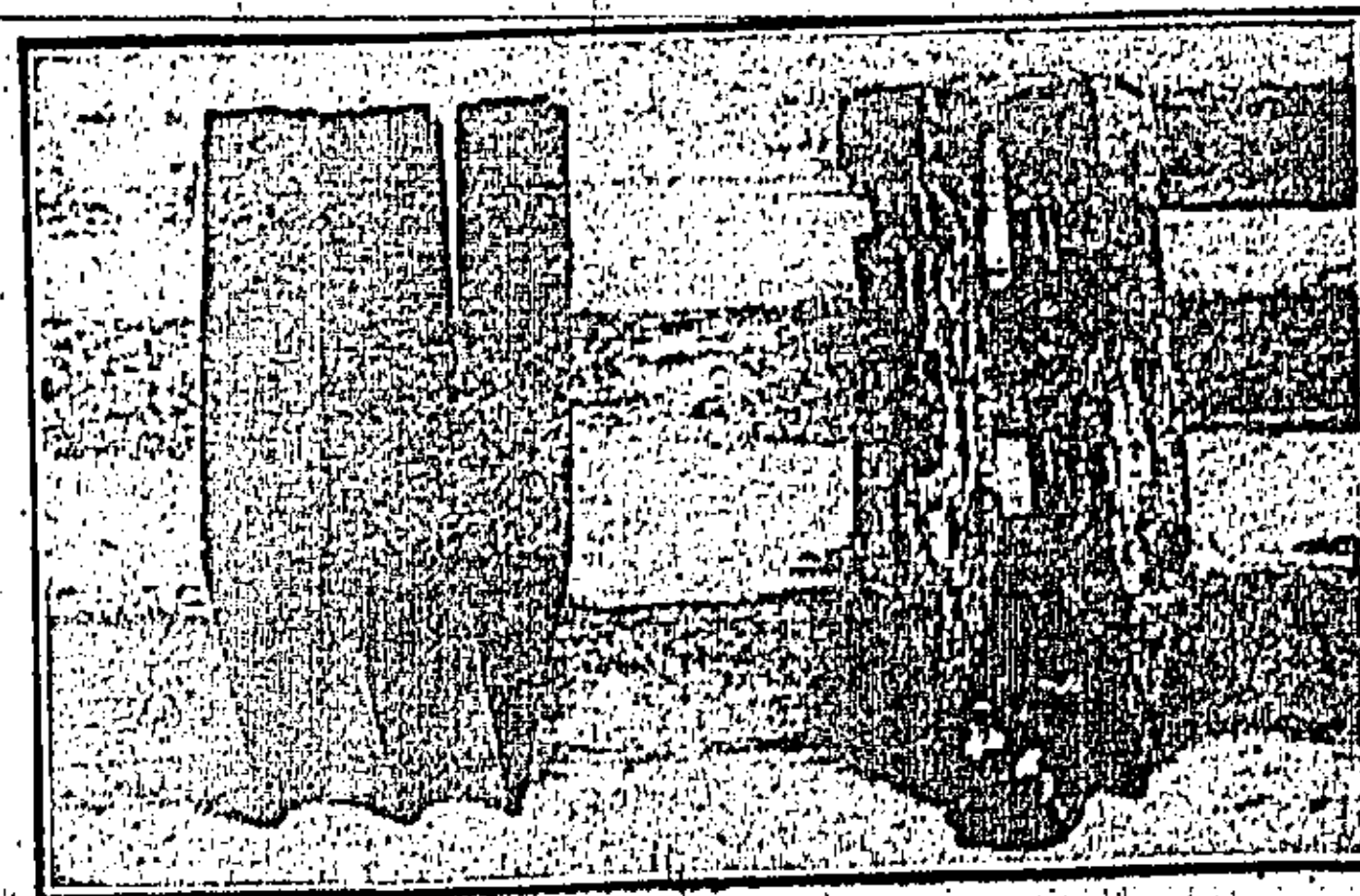
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